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The prices will be a
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will in no way obligate you. Your
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SWIFT RETRIBUTION FOR ROBBERY CAME TO ONE OF BANDIT GANG NEAR FORT WORTH

Killed in Auto Crash, His Pockets Lined with Stolen Money,
Bandit was Recognized as Former Texas Convict--
Captured Bandit Took the Officers to Hang-
Out, but Culprits had Fled.

MORE LIVES THAN IN ALL THE WORLD WAR

MISSIONARY SAYS FIFTEEN MIL-
LION CHINESE FACE IM-
MEDIATE PROSPECT OF
STARVATION.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 15.—Famine stalks
through China and will claim more
lives in the next six months than
were lost in all the armies during the
world war, it was predicted today by
Rev. W. A. Mather, a Presbyterian
missionary, upon his return from Pao-
Tingfu. "More than fifteen million
persons face immediate prospects of
starvation," he said, and forty-five
million others are affected in the
famine zone.

CHICAGO ATTORNEY ATTACKS K. M. LANDIS

SAYS EMPLOYMENT OF JUDGE IN
BASEBALL SETS EXAMPLE OF
INFIDELITY TO PUBLIC
SERVICE.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—A petition pro-
testing against the employment of
Judge K. M. Landis as national base-
ball commissioner has been prepared
by Thomas Sutherland, a Chicago
lawyer, and sent to members of con-
gress from Illinois, it was learned to-
day. In a letter to Chicago news-
papers informing them of his action,
Mr. Sutherland is said to have urged
that they "comprehend the import-
ance of this petition" and to have
called their attention to "this attempt
to mulct the government and also set
an example of vicious infidelity to
the public service."

GERMANY IS CURED.

By Associated Press.

Milan, Italy, Jan. 15.—There is no
possibility of Germany ever attempt-
ing war revenge, having been cured
forever of the old militaristic spirit,
Dr. Bernhard Dernberg, former Ger-
man minister of finance, emphatically
told delegates at the closing ses-
sion of the league of national social-
ists conference here today.

TALKED WITH HARDING.

By Associated Press.

Marion, Ohio, Jan. 15.—Representa-
tive Fordney of Michigan, who as
chairman of the ways and means com-
mittee is expected to have a leading
part in framing tax legislation in a
special session of congress after
March 4, came to Marion today at the
invitation of Mr. Harding to talk over
the problem of federal taxation. It
was understood that the conference
not only concerned the work of the
special session but also had to do
with temporary tariff legislation of
the present congress.

ORGANIZE WORKERS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Preliminary
work on the details of the new
campaign to unionize the steel in-
dustry was begun here today by Wil-
liam Hannon, secretary of the execu-
tive council of the international
unions of the steel industry affiliated
with the American Federation of La-
bor. Education of workers to the
benefits of unionism will be one of
the most important functions of the
new campaign, according to M. J.
Tighe, president of the Amalgamated
and Associated Steel and Tin Work-
ers, who heads the new committee.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 15.—The
police here this afternoon an-
nounced they had been ad-
vised that \$200,000 in Liberty
bonds and \$46,000 in currency
taken by the bandits in the
postoffice here last night had
been recovered near Lake
Worth. It was said that two
mail pouches had been found.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 15.—Quick retri-
bution was visited upon one of the
six men who robbed the Jackson
street postoffice sub-station here last
night when Rufus Clements of San An-
tonio and Fort Worth was killed by
the wrecking of the bandits' car near
Fort Worth, according to an an-
nouncement at police headquarters
here today. W. S. Scrivner, who the
police say confessed to participation
in the robbery, is in jail here, having
sustained slight injuries in the auto-
mobile wreck. Four of the bandits
are still at large.

The police said they expected to
make a sensational arrest of the
"master mind" of the postoffice hold-
up upon information given in Scriv-
ner's alleged confession. This "mas-
ter mind," the officers said, probably
was the leader in the recent crime
wave in this section. Twenty-eight
thousand dollars, most of which is not
negotiable because of mutilation, was
taken from two registered pouches
the bandits secured from the post-
office and divided between the rob-
bers at the leader's home here last
night, according to the police.

Scrivner was taken today to Fort
Worth, where he promised to lead the
officers to four of the bandits who
are still at liberty. He was escorted
by five Dallas detectives who said the
prisoner claimed to know where four
of his alleged comrades were hiding.

Was Former Texas Convict.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 15.—The
man killed in an automobile crash on
the Lake Worth road late last night,
whose pockets were stuffed with cur-
rency taken from the Dallas sub-
postoffice in yesterday's hold-up, was
identified by Police Chief Porter and
detectives today as Pat Murphy, a
former Texas convict. One of the
aliases used by Murphy was Rufus
Clements.

Left Hurriedly.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 15.—W. S.
Scrivner, confessed participant in the
Dallas postoffice hold-up, upon his ar-
rival here today conducted the of-
ficers to a house on Jennings avenue
which he said was occupied by one of
the bandit gang. The house was
empty, though gas stoves were burn-
ing over the place and the furniture
was undisturbed. Neighbors said the
occupants left hurriedly Friday night,
carrying two big trunks. Scrivner
had no idea where the occupants had
gone. Search for the missing money
and the bandits now is centering
around Lake Worth.

TARIFF BILL READY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 15.—With ten
amendments added to the house em-
ergency tariff bill, approved today by
the senate finance committee, it will
be reported to the senate Monday.
There was no record vote on any of
the seven amendments added to the
bill at today's meeting although Sena-
tor Simmons (Democrat) of North
Carolina said the Democrats "gen-
erally voted against everything."

IS NOW FUNCTIONING.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The war
finance corporation, revived by the
act of congress which was passed
over President Wilson's veto, is now
functioning. It announced today that
it was prepared to consider applica-
tions for loans to finance exports in
the same manner as it considered ad-
vances prior to the suspension of its
activities last May.

NEW SINN FEIN PLOT TO DESTROY LONDON

PATRICK KENNEY ACCUSED OF
TRYING TO SET 60,000 BAR-
RELS OF PETROLEUM
ABLAZE.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 15.—What the police
allege to be another big Sinn Fein
plot to destroy property in London
was uncovered in court today when
Patrick Kenny was charged with par-
ticipating in an attempt to murder
two policemen and trying to ignite
barrels of oil on the premises of the
Vacuum Oil Company. Sixty thou-
sand barrels containing 2,500,000 gal-
lons of oil are stored at the com-
pany's plant.

WANT WILSON TO ASK NATIONS TO DISARM

COMMITTEE APPROVED RESOLU-
TION FOR WORLD CONFER-
ENCE WITHOUT A DIS-
SENTING VOTE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 15.—A joint res-
olution requesting President Wilson
to call a conference of the nations of
the world to consider universal dis-
armament was approved today by the
house foreign affairs committee with-
out a dissenting vote. The committee
rejected by a vote of 9 to 2 an amend-
ment by Representative Mason (Re-
publican) of Illinois that invitations
to participate in the conference be
extended to Ireland and the Philip-
pines.

KILLED WIFE SLAYER.

By Associated Press.

Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 15.—G. N.
Burkhart, alleged to have killed his
wife near Mount Ida recently, was
killed by a deputy sheriff last night
near Glenwood, Ark., according to
word received here today.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

By Associated Press.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 15.—Paul
Authers, of Highland Park, Illinois,
who eloped with Mrs. Phillips Fran-
zen of Madison, Wisconsin, several
weeks ago, was arrested here early
today on a warrant charging larceny
sworn out by the woman's husband.

EVANGELINE IS BETTER.

By Associated Press.

Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 15.—Com-
mander Evangeline Booth of the Sal-
vation Army, who was taken ill here
last night, was reported slightly im-
proved this morning. She hoped to
go to Greenville during the day to at-
tend the dedication of the new Sal-
vation Army hospital there, but her
physician said she would not be per-
mitted to deliver an address.

GOMPERS BE RE-ELECTED.

By Associated Press.

Mexico City, Jan. 15.—Delegates to
the congress of the Pan-American
Federation of Labor met today de-
termined to act speedily on all re-
ports submitted by the resolutions
committee, select the city where the
next meeting is to be held, elect of-
ficers and conclude the deliberations
of the present session which began
here last Monday. It seems probable
that Samuel Gompers will be re-
elected president of the federation.

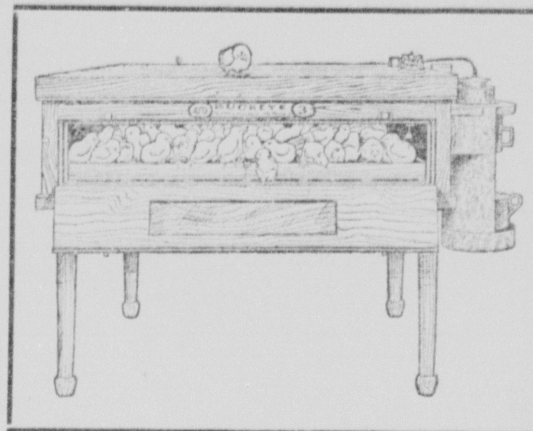
STATEMENT OF THE LAREDO NATIONAL BANK LAREDO, TEXAS.

At the Close of Business, December 29, 1920, as rendered to the Comptroller of the Currency
CONDENSED.

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts . . . \$2,333,627.38	Capital Stock \$200,000.00
United States Bonds . . . 233,550.00	Surplus Fund 200,000.00
Other Bonds and Securities . . 2,402.05	Undivided Profits, net . . . 83,807.17
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank, 12,000.00	Unearned Interest
Redemption Fund with . . . 10,000.00	approximate 36,135.13
U. S. Treasurer 50,000.00	Circulation 100,000.00
Banking House, Furniture . . . 50,000.00	Redeemments 257,813.98
and Fixtures 5,000.00	Other Liabilities 2,887.26
Other Real Estate owned . . . 15,245.50	Deposits 2,523,977.63
Interest earned, not collected, . . 832,795.70	
Cash and Exchange 3,494,620.63	
Total \$3,494,620.63	Total \$3,494,620.63

J. K. Beretta, President
B. M. Alexander, Vice-Pres
Sam W. Brown, Cashier

M. W. Brennan, Asst. Cashier
A. L. Vidaurri, Asst. Cashier
J. R. Fasnacht, Asst. Cashier



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knowing." Yes, but you must
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mailing for you.

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From Friday's Daily.

THE BLUE LAWS.

A few years ago the creator of "Docley" had his famous caustic wit declare as to prohibition: "The law makes whiskey wicked to want, hard to get and mean when you get it."

The general extension of prohibition has proved that the cynical observation was not wide of the truth. It has not improved men's morals to any noticeable degree, although it has made it almost impossible for some people to get liquor who previously were "stewed" most of the time.

The proposal to re-enact the "blue laws" with regard to Sunday observance will have little effect on men's morals. One effect of the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of liquor has been to make some men want it simply because it is forbidden. And one effect of the proposed blue laws will be to make men desire to do the opposite of what is commanded, just because of natural perverseness.

It is true that Sunday has been commercialized to a great extent in our country. We have not so many amusements—in some places—on Sunday as on other days of the week, but there is a tendency to exploit the day as a day of commerce rather than one of rest.

In some states during a past generation the only thing permissible on Sunday was driving. Some people who on other days rarely sat behind a horse, except on the street cars, hied them to the livery stable on Sunday and went for a drive. Consequently the one business that more than all others broke the Sunday observance laws was the livery business.

We see nowadays many business establishments that open as regularly on Sunday as on any other day. During the prevalence of liquor selling—according to law—there were some towns where the saloons never closed. And it was considered a moral town where the saloons were forced to close and stay closed from Saturday at midnight until Monday morning.

We are told that the Sabbath day was given for rest. Later developments made of it a day of worship. Then the day for those of the Christian faith changed to "the first day of the week," instead of the Sabbath, the seventh day.

Those who are behind the movement to stop the desecration of the Sabbath are people how go to church and worship on that day. They would like to see others do the same. But just as no law will make men more moral or religious, no law will ever make churchgoers of men or women.

Some people have a different idea of rest from that of others. To the tired worker who toils all the week, it would be rest to lie abed a little longer during the hours that other people are preparing for church; to dress at leisure and eat breakfast at a different hour; to saunter forth on pleasure bent, rather than inclined to worship.

Some people really work harder in their pleasure on Sunday than they do the rest of the week. Drives in the country occupy the time of some, while others like to sit around and see a baseball game, and still others like to go to the movies.

The idea of some of the reformers is that if you take away from a man all incentive to pass the time in what appears to them forbidden pleasures, you may induce him to go to church—because there is nowhere else to go.

The best way would be to stop commercializing Sunday. If those who make their best business day the one which the moral law tells us is to be observed as a day of rest are forbidden to conduct business, then there will be less inducement for others to break the Sabbath. At least, this is the argument of those who want to stop all improper observances of the day.

But the best way of all would be to so educate the people that they would not want to do anything that would interfere with the enjoyment of their neighbors. And that will take a long time.

ERA OF GOOD FEELING.

Never before, perhaps, certainly not for several years past, have there been such friendly relations between the people of the two neighboring republics as now. All former hostility, all animosity and all rancor have been swept away, the slate has been wiped clean, and the people of both countries are doing their best to forget the unpleasant past and prepare for the prosperous future.

One of the most effective agencies in this restoration of good feeling was the invitation of the people of Mexico to the people of Texas to come and witness the inauguration of their president, the first constitutional president for some years past. And the hospitality extended on that occasion will never be forgotten.

So when the governors of the Mexican border states and the representatives of President Obregon come to attend the inauguration of Governor Neff, the hospitality that will be offered them will be in a certain sense a reciprocal act tending to show that our people are appreciative and grateful.

While one of the actuating motives of the people of both countries is to re-establish business relations on a sound footing, there is also the desire

to be friendly for friendship's sake. They realize that pure material benefit is not all that should actuate the relations as between peoples, any more than between individuals, and there are old ties of friendship that are not forgotten.

There was a time when the people of Texas crossed the border into Mexico with a feeling that they were as much at home there as though in their own towns. And the people of Mexico came into our country for social, as well as business relations, and knew that they were as welcome as our own folks.

War and its accompanying evils for a while disturbed the relations between the two peoples and bitter animosity was bred of the acts of those who were interested solely in their own advantage. And while the inter-ethnic strife went on in Mexico, there were not lacking those who knew how to turn individual and racial hatreds to their own personal advantage.

For the first time in several years we are to have a celebration of Washington's Birthday; one of the old-time celebrations at which the Mexican people will be our welcome and honored guests.

Other towns have their Mardi Gras, their Battle of Flowers, their Feast of Roses, but the Laredo celebration of February 22d is unique throughout the entire country.

The children of Mexico have been taught to reverence the name of Washington, and throughout all of Latin America it is one to conjure with. The virtues of other patriots are compared to those of the Father of our Country, and his career is well known to those who study the history of the Americas.

So it is fitting that the day we celebrate should also be celebrated by the people to the south of us, for the liberators of their countries and their race modeled their acts on those of the man who did most toward throwing off the yoke of foreign domination.

The Mexican representatives who witness the inauguration of Governor Neff will be comparatively few in number. But the Mexicans who come to Laredo to witness our celebration next month will be as the leaves of the forest. They will include all classes, from the humblest to the highest in rank, and all will be welcome.

There is nothing that will do more toward cementing the friendships of the past than the Laredo celebration. And the Mexican people, as far south as the capital of the republic, will hail the return of the one fiesta that unites both people on a common ground—veneration for the lofty character of the man who is regarded as the apostle of freedom and independence.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 14.

Captain Robert A. Bartlett, who is to attempt a flight to the North Pole, is a well known figure in the small circles of Arctic explorers. He was with Peary in his famous dash for the North Pole, though not going to the goal with his superior officer. In 1913 he was employed by the Canadian Government in its Arctic exploration expedition. His ship was crushed, he found his way to Siberia, and finally to Wrangle Island and back to Nome, Alaska. He is the holder of the Hubbard Gold Medal conferred by the National Geographic Society, and of several other medals given by European societies, all in recognition of his ability as a navigator, his intrepidity as a discoverer, and his zeal in his labors wherever he enters upon them. Captain Bartlett is a native of Newfoundland and well represents the hardy mariner of that country.

CHILDREN LACK CLOTHING
IN THIS PITILESS CHILL
Appeal for Clothing from Associated Charities Should Not Go Unheeded at Such a Time.

There is much suffering among the poor since the cold snap came, especially because of lack of proper clothing. Rev. L. H. Wharton reports the pressing need of a woman with three children, all girls. The children are, respectively, two and a half, seven and twelve years of age, and they have practically no clothing at all, while the mother is without help of any sort.

Those who have clothing to spare, especially clothing for little girls, are asked to send same to Mr. Wharton, 414 Juarez avenue, or to the Associated Charities Hospital, 402 Vidaurri avenue, as there is a daily call for such clothing.

The cold weather is felt severely enough by those who have comfortable homes, with enough to eat and to wear. What must it be for these unfortunate with neither home nor clothing, and whose food is secured only through the greatest efforts.

If you have any old clothing that is still useful, send it in for the use of these unfortunate who need it so badly. The response of the Laredo people to all calls has been so prompt and so generous, that it is felt this call will not go unheeded.

TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$

TOBACCO PRICES.

By Associated Press.

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 14.—Although the movement of 1921 for the forcing of tobacco prices to a higher level in Central Kentucky probably is more general than ever before, according to tobacco men, trouble over tobacco prices is nothing new. Efforts to "cut out" the crop because of low prices, have taken place periodically for the last thirteen years, resulting in 1905 in what amounted to virtually a war between growers who did not plant and those who did.

In 1903 tobacco beds were burned, farmers whipped and some instances killed and a general reign of terror was inaugurated. State troops were unable to cope with the situation and the trouble died down only when Gov. Augustus E. Willson issued a proclamation saying that the killing of a "night rider" would be followed by an immediate pardon for the slayer. There were no sales of tobacco that year in any of the principal markets of the tobacco belt either in the cigarette tobacco section of Central Kentucky or the "Black Belt" or dark burley region of Western Kentucky.

During the two years prior to the night rider trouble prices for tobacco had been at a low level. In 1905, 4,542,947 pounds were sold on the Lexington breaks at an average of \$7.49 per 100 pounds while 18,347,805 pounds were sold in 1907 for an average of \$10.93.

Prices rose to a new high level of \$14.11 a hundred for 42,041,877 pounds in 1909 but slumped again in 1910. This caused the calling of a convention in Lexington which was attended, according to local historians, by growers from Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana and at which it was unanimously voted to "cut out" the crop in 1911. There is no indication, however, that the agreement was generally followed out, for records of the Lexington Tobacco Warehousemen's Association show that in the latter year 48,498,695 pounds of tobacco were marketed here at an average price of \$10.33 per 100 pounds as compared with an average of \$7.65 per hundred for 42,041,877 pounds in 1910.

The price of tobacco reached an average of \$12.94 per hundred for 48,177,225 pounds on the local market in 1912 and \$12.95 per hundred for 49,176,975 in 1913 but dropped again to \$8.27 in 1914 when 56,419,215 pounds, a record for this market up to that time, were sold over the breaks here. The next year only 55,398,650 pounds were offered at auction here and brought an average of \$10.62 per hundred.

With 1915 the upward trend of tobacco prices started. In 1915 42,216,235 pounds were sold here for an average of \$18.27 a hundred and in 1917, the average price paid for 41,219,919 pounds jumped \$10 per hundred to \$28.60. Another \$10 increase occurred in 1918 when the local warehousemen auctioned 55,825,360 pounds for an average of \$38.39 per hundred.

The largest amount of tobacco that even went over the floors of the Lexington warehouses was marketed in 1919 for the highest price on record, 33,649,865 pounds being sold for an average of \$46.17 per 100 pounds.

Indications of a drop in price were foreseen by tobacco men early in 1920 and last July a meeting of growers was held in Lexington to vote on the proposition to abandon the 1921 crop. It was stated that labor costs were so high that in order to make the crop pay it would be necessary to do something to keep prices at a level with those of 1919. It was decided at the July meeting, however, that a "cut out" would not be necessary and the Burley Tobacco Growers' Association was formed in an endeavor to work out the problems of the growers through co-operative methods. John W. Newman of Versailles was elected head of the organization.

When the government estimate of the tobacco crop of Kentucky was made public December 1, growers declared that it was too high, as the leaf would not weigh more than two-thirds of the usual amount. This caused postponement of the opening of the markets throughout the white burley, or cigarette tobacco belt, while the growers' association and state and federal agricultural department officials took a census of the white burley crop. This report was given out December 30 and showed a production of 236,500,000 pounds of the cigarette leaf. Officials of the College of Agriculture, University of Kentucky, and field agents of the United States Department of Agriculture, who had been making a study of the cost of producing and marketing Kentucky tobacco, gave out an estimate of \$309 per acre as the cost of producing and marketing the 1920 crop. The estimated production per acre was fixed at 858 pounds making the estimated cost \$36 per hundred.

The Lexington market opened January 3, and other markets on succeeding days, the larger ones on January 4. When growers found that prices all over the district were averaging far below what was claimed to be the cost of production and marketing, the "cut out" movement gained renewed impetus with many new advocates. After the closing of the Lexington market on January 4 for a week and similar action on the part of all other larger markets, growers favoring abandonment of the 1921 crop called a mass meeting at Lexington to decide what action should be taken.

LOCAL NEWS

—An examination for all classes of teachers' certificates will be held in Laredo on the first Friday and Saturday following—February 4 and 5. Intending applicants must notify the county superintendent at his office in the courthouse at least one week prior to examination.

—How is that water heater? If it needs attention call Miller, the plumber. Phone 506. 1-11-6t.

—Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg.

12-14-6t.
—The mercury was within five degrees of the freezing point this morning—37 degrees—and the air was quite chilly. Yesterday the mercury was down to 35 degrees and in some portions of the county there was a heavy frost, but Jack Frost was conspicuous by his absence today.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348.

4-27-6t.
—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo yesterday afternoon: Two carloads of ore, one carload of lites, four carloads of lead, one carload of dried blood and one carload of baskets.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigree seed. Please write or full information, M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—Plans are progressing for the big celebration next month and every citizen of Laredo is behind the committee in its work. The bigger and better the program this year the more inducement there will be for visitors to come to Laredo to enjoy the many features of the big three-day event.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-6t

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-6t.

—Construction work on the new and handsome international foot-bridge goes on and each day puts the force of workmen nearer to the big portion of the work which they are soon to start. All the lower work will be completed while the river is at its present low stage.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Canto, Phone 202. 6-15-6t.

Your Troubles May be a Warning of a Nervous Breakdown

Nine failures out of ten are due to personal physical conditions. The causes are usually not far to seek—at first a little brain fog, weakened memory, insomnia, nervous indigestion and increased irritability, nerves become unstrung—finally there is a complete breakdown of the nervous system.

SENSAPERSA

helps rebuild the nerve system and makes rich blood. The properties of this blood tonic and nerve sedative should double the nerve health in ten days. Every nerve, every tissue will receive its share of energy and health. Take heed of the warnings. Don't be a failure. Build up your health with Sensaparsa. Two sizes, 60c and \$1.00 at your Druggist or from City Drug Co.

SENDS BUYERS TO THE EAST TO PURCHASE SUPPLY GOODS

Three Buyers From Richter's Department Store Left Last Evening For the Big New York Markets.

Laredo's big department store, Richter's, has sent three of its buyers to the New York markets to make selections of spring and summer goods for the establishment and get for Laredo the best and latest there is for the coming spring and summer seasons.

R. P. Woodard, buyer of silks and piece goods; George D. Becker, buyer of clothing and gent's furnishings goods, and Carlos A. Richter, buyer of fancy goods and notions, left last night for the big markets in New York to select goods for the Richter Department Store, and Aug. C. Richter will leave here next week to join them in their work, making four representatives of the big store to go to the Eastern markets.

Notice.
The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN, Secretary.
A. J. NEFF, President. 1-5-6t.

We Buy Rags.
* Wash all the old rags that *
* you have and bring them to *
* The Times office. Best prices *
* paid. Rags must be soft and *
* clean. *****

BIG MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS MAY BE BROUGHT TO LAREDO

TO PLAY GAMES DURING THE BIG CELEBRATION NEXT MONTH.

Celebration Committee is Planning on Adding Many Interesting and Novel Features to the Program.

Besides planning a complete program of athletics for the big celebration to be held here in February, together with field exercises participated in by the military and others, it is now probable that two of the major league baseball teams which will begin their training in Southwest Texas will be brought here for two or three games—probably the New York Giants and the Cincinnati Reds, or two other teams. If these big league teams can be brought to Laredo they will be contracted to play afternoons of February 21, 22 and 23 at Caliche Park and should draw thousands of baseball fans, for it would be the first time in the history of Laredo that two major league baseball teams would meet on a local diamond.

The program committee of the celebration are not as yet busy on the proposition of mapping out a definite program of events for the three days of celebration, but they have numerous propositions before them that will enable them to put on some features this year that will provide three full days of entertainment and have something doing every minute of the time. There are some features offered the committee this year that will be entirely new in the way of attractions and many of these may be incorporated in the program just as soon as the committee gets busy on that end of the game.

Both the people of Laredo and Nuevo Laredo have responded nobly with financial assistance to the fund being raised to carry out the celebration and Nuevo Laredo is planning some interesting features on the program on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande during the three days of celebration that will attract several thousand visitors to Laredo. The fireworks display giving a reproduction of the Battle of Chateau Thierry will be the most spectacular and costly of its kind ever seen in the state of Texas and will afford a great night spectacle on the banks of the Rio Grande. This great battle scene may be augmented with a great night battle between airplanes and an aerial display.

FOR SALE.
* Cooked and Cold Pressed *
* Cotton seed cake; also car lots *
* shelled and ear corn, cheap. *
* Wire or phone. *
* J. M. SORRELL, *
* Pearsall, Texas. *
* 1-14-6t. *

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

"The Silver Lining" at Rialto.
A stirring drama founded upon actual occurrences is that pictured by "The Silver Lining," a Metro release, starring Jewel Carmen, supported by a cast of Broadway notables which comes to the Rialto Theatre commencing Sunday.

Among the noted cast which makes this picture stand out is Leslie Ashton, leading man for Madge Kennedy in "Cornered" and previously playing the same position with Ethel Barrymore in "Deceit." Colt Albertson, Virginia Valli, Julia Swayne Gordon, Gladden James and Arthur Donaldson. The famous dancers, Carl Hysen and Dorothy Dickson, furnish dance numbers. Roland West wrote and directed "The Silver Lining," which was adapted for the screen by D. J. Buchanan and Charles H. Smith. It was photographed by Edward Wynard and Frank Zucker.

With Jack Pickford at Royal.

When "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" is shown at the Royal Theatre, today the millions of readers of John Fox, Jr.'s books will have a chance to see Jack Pickford in the role of one of the best liked boy characters in American fiction. Chad, the hero of the photoplay version of Mr. Fox's novel, is a perfect role for Jack Pickford. The book itself sold more than 1,000,000 copies and is well known to two generations of Americans. The author's interest in the life of the mountaineers of Eastern Kentucky led him to picture it in several novels, as "The Kentuckian," "Knight of the Cumberland," "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," and "The Heart of the Hills." Not only is the story of "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come" a true account of the customs of the mountaineers but also a beautiful representation of some incidents of the Civil War.

CONTAGIOUS TERMINOLOGY.

Louisville Courier-Journal: "Gimme a bit of advice," said the farmer to the summer boarder. "All right." "I gotta drive to the city today. How do you park a horse?"

THE SAN ANTONIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO ENTERTAIN

THE MEXICAN DELEGATION IN CHARGE LAREDO DELEGATION

San Antonio Organization Will Provide Entertainment For Inaugural Delegation During Monday.

Through conferences during the past few days, the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce and the Laredo Chamber of Commerce have agreed upon a plan for bringing the visiting delegation of Governors of Mexico and personal representatives of President Obregon into the closest touch with all of the great commercial and business interests of Southwest Texas during the short stay which they will have in Texas attending the inauguration of Governor-elect Pat M. Neff at Austin January 18th.

As one result of these conferences it has been arranged that the delegation will spend Monday in San Antonio and the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce will receive the official delegations of Mexico escorted by the Laredo delegation at San Antonio Monday, January 17th, and will provide the program of entertainment for the day. The Laredo Gateway special will leave Laredo Sunday night, arriving at San Antonio Monday morning, and after entertainment of their distinguished guests at breakfast, will be taken in charge by the various organizations of San Antonio under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

The latter organization will announce the details of the entertainment which is to be given during the day, before leaving for Austin to be received by the entertainment committee of the inaugural ceremonies Tuesday morning. This shows a splendid spirit of co-operation between two great organizations, and shows that there is only one purpose at issue, and that is to impress our visiting delegations from Mexico with the splendid spirit of kindly interest and cooperation which is in the minds of all the people of Texas, and especially the trade territory of Laredo and San Antonio.

MEXICAN-AMERICAN SOAP CO., INC. CALL FOR MEETING.

The board of directors of the Mexican-American Soap Company, Inc., in session this day decided that a special meeting of the shareholders should be called, to take place in the offices of the company, 303 Flores avenue, in this city, at 10 o'clock in the morning of Friday, the 23rd inst., under the following order of business: I. Presentation of the general balance for the year 1920, with all that pertains thereto, for examination and approval.

II.—Report of the president of the company concerning the condition of the business.

III.—Ratification, if so decided, of the increase of capital carried out by the agreement of the board.

IV. Motion to fix the regular meetings annually, in the month of January of each year, and not in May, amending to that effect the constitution and by-laws of the company.

V. Ratification of the election of members who form the board of directors or of new election, as the case may be.

VI. All other matters which may be brought up, provided that a majority of those present shall agree to their discussion.

And for publication of this notice for three consecutive days in "Evolution" and in The Laredo Times, daily newspapers which are published in this city, I give this present notice, in Laredo, Texas, the 12th day of January, 1921.

Lic. J. LUIS PATIRO, Secretary. 1-14-6t.

Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get rid of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent."

ANOTHER BIG TIRE SALE

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We have received a big Shipment of NON-SKID TIRES As Follows: HUSKIE GENERAL TROPICAL HORSESHOE RACINE STANDWOOD MASTER CORDS All of the above Casings are Guaranteed, all NON-SKID PRICES: \$10.00 \$12.00 \$13.50 \$14.00 \$15.50 \$16.50

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ALSO a complete line of Ford Parts and Accessories.

IS DOING WONDERFUL WORK AND MAKING FAST PROGRESS

TRENCH-DIGGING MACHINE EX-PEDITING SEWERAGE WORK.

Large Crowds Assemble to Watch the Massive Machine as it Cuts its Path Along Matamoros Street.

As the big trench-digging machine proceeds on its way westward on Matamoros street cutting the trench for the sewerage mains large numbers of persons assembled about the scene of operations and watch the wonderful and uniform work done by this massive piece of machinery brought here by Contractor Youmans to do the trench-digging both at Fort McIntosh and in Laredo.

This great caterpillar machine, with its scrapers and scoops operated on belted pulleys, cuts a trench any given depth up to 22 feet deep, and the sides of the cut are even and uniform. At this time the machine is working between San Agustin and Flores Avenue, and the large force of men working with it are laying 18-inch mains and filling in the excavations as fast as the work is done along Matamoros street.

Starting in at the mouth of the Zacate Creek on the Rio Grande an entrenchment sixteen feet was cut, but now the trench is getting shallower and at this time the trench is only twelve feet deep, this being done to establish the level of the sewerage pipe. As the work progresses toward the I. & G. N. tracks it will gradually become shallower, finally getting to only four feet deep, and then the progress of the work will be still faster than at present.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR GOOD SALESMAN.

I purchased over a million high grade cigars at my own price and offer these cigars to salesmen at prices so they can sell them quickly and at a good profit to store keepers and cigar stands of all kinds. For \$1.90 I will mail you a sample box of 50 of these cigars that sold wholesale in large quantities at \$3.00, regular retail price 8c each. For \$2.45 will mail 50 cigars. Wholesale price \$3.75, retail price 16c each. This is an unusual opportunity. Money order or certified check must accompany order for sample box. Only one sample of each kind sent to any salesman. After that orders must be for 250 cigars to get salesman's price.

CHAS. J. ROSSY, 312 Market Street, San Antonio, Texas. 1-14-6t.

BIG TENT SHOW.

Starting next Monday, January 17th, the famous Copeland Bros. Stock Co. will start a week's engagement in Laredo under their big waterproof, fur-nace heated tent theatre, presenting a repertoire of new royalty plays with big city vaudeville.

This company comes to Laredo from an extended tour of the larger cities of the southwest where they have met with flattering success. The company, made up of recognized dramatic and vaudeville artists headed by the well known comedy quartette, the Four Copelands, a vaudeville feature that has played every first class vaudeville theatre in America. Another feature out of the ordinary is Zento, the Jail breaker, a man who defies handcuffs, manacles and jail bars.

Among the dramatic people, well known in the theatrical profession are Audress Walsh and Vern Douglas, both well known stock stars.

On Monday night, the opening play will be the famous home play "The Tie That Binds," a story of the little mother.

On Monday only, ladies will be admitted free when accompanied by an escort holding a paid adult ticket.

Notice to Owners Motor Vehicles. This is to notify those concerned that I am now ready to issue 1921 licenses for motor vehicles.

H. LIGARDE, Tax Collector Webb County. 1-8-10t.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—For the first time in the history of the "Princes' Game" in America, a professional court tennis tournament is to be played here. Arrangements have been completed by the members of the Philadelphia Racquet Club to have the event decided on its courts beginning tomorrow. The winner of the tournament will meet Jay Gould, open and amateur champion of America, in a nine-set challenge round match the first four sets of which are to be played on the Philadelphia club's court on January 19 and the remainder of the contest at the same place on January 21. If the challenger defeats Gould he will receive a purse of \$1,000, but if Gould wins the professional will receive only \$500.

Each match in the professional tournament will be for the best in five sets, the deciding set to be "deuce and advantage." The players who are to compete in the professional matches have been drawn as follows: R. Dutton, Tennis and Racquet Club of Boston vs. Joseph Moss, Philadelphia Racquet Club; Jock Soutar, Philadelphia Racquet Club vs. Otto Glocker, Boston Athletic Association and C. J. "Punch" Fairs, Long Island, N. Y. a bye.

On the second day the winners of the first two matches will meet and the victor in that contest will play Fairs to decide which of them is to play against the American Amateur and open champion in the Challenge round two days later.

In the event of his winning against the professional who will oppose him it would not surprise the followers of this game to find Mr. Gould asserting his ability to play again successfully for the world's open championship title which he relinquished in November, 1916. In 1914 Gould beat the English professional G. F. Covey for the world's championship in Philadelphia. There was to have been a return match in England the following year but the world war upset all chance of its being even thought of and two years later Mr. Gould authorized Mr. W. H. T. Huhn, of Philadelphia, to write a letter to England to the effect that he (Gould) had relinquished his title of world's open court tennis champion as he felt it inexpedient for him to defend his title. In 1919 when it was announced in Philadelphia that Mr. Gould was willing to defend his title of world's tennis champion, the English press published a letter signed "Wentworth" claiming that as Mr. Gould had relinquished the title and had not played a return match when challenged, under the agreement, the title had reverted to the English professional Covey.

A short time after this appeared, Mr. Gould in a letter to Joseph W. Wear, an American amateur player, wrote in part as follows:

"In relinquishing this title, however, I wish to say that the title did not revert to Covey or to anyone else. As far as Covey's claim is concerned, the conditions of the match were, that if I won the open championship in Philadelphia, Covey was to have the right to challenge me within a year for a return match to be played in England, with English balls. Covey failed to challenge within the specified time, realizing no doubt, that during such a terrible war severe criticism would have been the result of such a match. However, during the specified time, Kinsella had challenged me, but I held him off, hoping that the war would end and that I would be able to play Covey the match in England. Some time in 1916, a year after the challenge time had elapsed, Covey sent to the Philadelphia Racquet Club (but not to me) a challenge for me to play in England."

World's Champions of Court Tennis.
1819-1829 "Old" Cox, England.
1829-1862 J. Edmond Barre, France.
1862-1871 Edm. Tompkins, England.
1871-1885 George Lambert, England.
1885-1890 Tom Pettitt, America.
1890-1895 Charles Saunders, England.
1895-1905 Peter Latham, England.
1905-1907 C. Fairs, England.
1907-1908 P. Latham, England.
1908-1912 C. Fairs, England.
1912-1914 G. F. Covey, England.
1914—Jay Gould, America.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

The Order of the King's Daughters celebrates its 35th anniversary today.

Seventy-five years ago today war between United States and Mexico became a practical certainty when Gen. Zachary Taylor was ordered to advance toward the Rio Grande.

Memorial exercises will be held at Boyerstown, Pa., today on the thirtieth anniversary of the theater fire in which nearly 200 persons perished.

Hearings on the Soldier Bonus Bill are to be reopened today by the Finance Committee of the United States Senate.

A meeting of the executive committee of the National Woman's Party is to be held in Washington today, preliminary to the party's general convention next month.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

MUSCLES FELT AS IF TIED IN KNOTS

HUDSON SAYS "IT IS SIMPLY WONDERFUL WHAT TANLAC DID FOR ME."

"If anybody had told me that Tanlac could do for me what it has done I would not have believed them," said C. R. Hudson, of Knoxville, Ill. "It freed me from rheumatism after twelve years of awful suffering," he continued, "and my stomach trouble is also gone."

"I was in such bad shape that I could scarcely digest a thing, and any solids would give me such cramps in my stomach that I could hardly stand them. Gas would form and affect my heart so bad I would get faint and have to lie down. The rheumatism made my legs swell all out of shape and the muscles felt like they were tied in knots. I couldn't straighten my right leg at all and it pained me so I could find no rest. At night it was especially bad and I simply rolled from one side of the bed to the other unable to get any sleep. Not being able to work any more I rented my farm and moved to town. I tried about every sort of medicine I ever heard of but got worse all the time."

"One day I heard some people talking about how much good Tanlac had done them and I decided to try it, and the way it took hold was simply wonderful. I can now eat anything I want, my rheumatism is all gone and I sleep like a log every night. I feel as strong and well as I ever did and I am going back to the farm able to do as much work as I did years ago. If anyone wants to know about Tanlac send them to me."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo, by City Drug Store, and all leading druggists.

AN IMPORTANT SUM.

By Associated Press.

Harrison, Ark., Jan. 13.—There was a time in the history of the United States when \$52, representing a year's loss or saving to members of Congress, was a vital factor in the consideration of a proposed moving of the seat of government, and, according to an officer of that same Congress, \$52 a year was "no trifling consideration."

This bit of history is contained in a letter written by Charles Thomson, secretary of the Continental Congress during the several years of its existence to his wife Hannah, an aunt of President William Henry Harrison. The letter is dated Princeton, August 21, 1783, the Congress then being in session in the New Jersey town, and was addressed to "Mrs. Thomson, Corner of Spruce and 4 Street, Philadelphia."

It was proposed that the residence of Congress be removed to Elizabethtown, N. J., but, according to the letter, there was opposition on the ground that "lodging" in Elizabethtown would cost \$4 a week, whereas it could be obtained for \$3 a week in Princeton. Whether the "high cost of living" in Elizabethtown finally swayed the Congress in rejecting it is not disclosed, but history records that the Congress met in Annapolis, Md., after leaving Princeton, and at no times at Elizabethtown.

The letter, in part, which recently came into the possession of Mrs. Rex Worthington, of Harrison, a descendant of Mr. Thomson, follows:

"Dear Hannah:—
"I have received your letters dated Monday 12 o'clock and Tuesday 10 o'clock at night and acknowledged the receipt of them. . . . Mr. Rend was misinformed respecting the adjournment. They met on Monday but they might as well have adjourned till this time for any business they have done. I am very apprehensive that nothing but some calamity will awaken the states to a sense of their situation. . . .
" The President of Congress has not provided a house for himself nor is it likely he will find one here to suit him. I find Elizabethtown has been talked of at his table as a proper place for the residence of Congress. He has a house there which he says has twenty rooms and which he will let for the use of the President. It is true the place is infested with mosquitoes in summer and lying low and near marshes may be liable to intermittents in the spring and fall, but these are trifling when it is considered that by fixing the residence of Congress there the value of his estate will be increased and he will have an opportunity of letting his house at a good rent. But yet I am inclined to believe this will be opposed by his colleagues; for Mr. Condit has found a lodging in this town at 3 dollars a week which enables him to lay up money. And there is reason to fear that at Elizabethtown which is so near New York, it will cost him at least four. This would be a clear loss of 52 dollars a year which is no trifling consideration, and which I dare say will have due weight with some others. There are other weighty considerations which might be mentioned."

"Your loving husband,
CHAS. THOMSON."

TIMES WANT ADS.

***** Money Makers *****



SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. G. L. Hatley.
The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. G. C. Hatt at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
The W. M. U. Circles of the Baptist Church will meet at the regular hour in the afternoon.

To the New Year.
Oncoming, strange New Year
What hast thou in thy hold
For us who wait thee here—
Who welcome thee in fear—
How shall thy days be told?

Bygone the frenzied hour
Of war and warfare's woe;
Waned is hate's grievous power—
Must we know hatred's dower
As through the year we go?

Must fruit of passing rage
Be our sad harvesting,
Or is there heritage
Of many a peaceful age
Which thou mayst safely bring?

Hast thou within thy hand
A blessing all unguessed
For every stricken land—
For every war-rent strand
By heel of tyrants pressed?

Oncoming, strange New Year
What hast thou for mankind?
Grant us one word or cheer—
Or let the truth appear
And hid us be resigned.
—Lurana Sheldon in New York Times.

General Mention.

Mrs. A. D. Putnam arrived yesterday from Hebronville on a visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. McCann arrived in the city yesterday from Los Angeles, California and are stopping at the Hamilton. They expect to remain in Laredo some time.

Announcement.

The Cotillion Class will meet Saturday night at the Woman's Club at 7:30 o'clock under the direction of Mrs. J. A. MacDonald.

Honoring Employees.

The Wells Fargo Express Company entertained their employees on Tuesday with a social evening. Instructive addresses were one of the features of the evening and a most delightful musical program was also given. A refreshment course was served, after which Mr. Gorman presented Mr. and Mrs. Leon Barrow with an electric stove, the presentation being made with a short address. The following program was given:

Song, "Smiles." By Audience
What the Right Way Stands For.
By L. A. Ley, Chairman, R. W. Committee.

A Message from President Taylor.
By C. C. Gass, Depot Agent.

Spanish Song "La Paloma." By Audience.

The Right Weight Is the Right Way.
By Mr. C. B. Kinne, Weighing Supervisor.

What We Can and Must Do to Promote the Right Way. By C. J. Gorman, Agent.

Better Service. By A. W. Boquet, Messenger.

Musical Selection.

The Right Way to Get Shippers Interested in Starting Shipments Right. (In Spanish) By J. P. Gutierrez.

The Right Way to Issue Receipts. By C. J. Gorman, Agent.

Musical Selections and Singing. B Audience.

Circular-Supt's Office Asking Co-operation in the Preventing of Claims. By L. R. Barrow, Money Clerk.

The Right Way from the Tracing Department. By Mrs. Hazel Barrow.

What the General Rules and Classifications Have to Say. By A. H. Jacobs, Chief Clerk.

Presentation of Right Way Literature. By L. A. Ley.

Concluding Song, "Till We Meet Again." By Audience.

Parish Guild.

The Parish Guild of Christ church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Elmer Anderson, and Mrs. Wright presided over the meeting. Mrs. Vidales read the minutes of the last meeting, and a letter was read from Mrs. Bush, the wife of the missionary at Newport, Ore., where the Woman's Auxiliary sent the Joy Box. The letter was most appreciative, and told how much everyone enjoyed the gifts, especially the fig preserves, as they had never seen any before. Also said although they were out on the coast of the Pacific Ocean they felt like every one of the members of the Women's Auxiliary on the Mexican border was their friend. Mrs. C. W. Cook was elected delegate to the Council at Victoria, Texas. At the

conclusion of the meeting the hostess served a delicious salad course, waters, and tea. Those present were: Mesdames Brewster, Cook, Kehl, Lusk, Lines, Omar Mann, Con Mims, MacGregor, McKinney, Puster, Jack Shiner, Addie Shiner, Vidales, B. F. Wright, Younkin, Young and Smith, Misses Martha Anderson and Margaret Lloyd and the hostess.

A LURID STORY.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 13.—New York has thrown away its nickel novel of 1920, to begin reading the 1921 thriller of Dead Man's Gulch moved into Broadway and the Black Hills set down on Fifth Avenue somewhere between the Waldorf-Astoria and 42nd street.
With something like 400 robberies and "stickups" on the newspaper lists of crimes for the past year, and more than 100 murders and killings set down by news offices as "unsolved," the New Year has had set for it a penny-dreadful record it will take two-gun men from Coyote Canyon a lifetime's endeavor to beat.

A ride from the Grand Central in a taxicab now is conceded by leading papers of the city to have nothing on a trip in the Deadwood Stagecoach and the big hotels and restaurants loom up as cheery as the Santa Fe Saloon in the Wild West days of the six-gun toter and the Bad Boy Bandits of Bloody Hollow. Twenty police riflemen patrol the streets at night in automobiles. The curfew rings out at midnight when Central Park is closed to vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and all persons abroad must give account of themselves when asked.

In the past month judges on the criminal courts bench have urged formation of citizens' committees on a par with the vigilantes of the frontier before it was accused of moving back east to metropolitan centers. The Mayor has warned all persons carrying or possessing valuables to procure permits to arm themselves against highwaymen and the police have tried to get back to something like first principles in life and property protection.

Crimes have been chronicled as though they were robbery and murder cyclones, and the subway newspaper reader has felt all the thrill of riding the Overland Limited in the days when Jesse James and his gang held no prairie railroad immune from their ravages.

Estimates have placed about \$4,000,000 as the total value of loot obtained by burglars, thieves and yeggmen in New York during 1920. Daylight holdups, attacks in leading Great White Way hotels and automobile bandits have yielded much of the valuables stolen. As many as 49 robberies and thefts have been featured for a month's acts of violence of note, and six such attempts in a day have been recorded.

Of the more than 100 "unsolved" murders listed by some papers, a number now are nationally, if not internationally known, beginning with a killing last New Year's Day. 1920's record started strong. Conspicuous in the 12 months' list were the murders of Joseph B. Elwell, Miss Renie Constance Hoxie, and Frederick C. Eckert. Elwell, known from coast to coast as a whist expert and horseman, was shot to death in his handsomely furnished West 70th street home; Miss Hoxie, a 17-year old girl, was found mutilated in her father's house; Eckert, a former government agent and alleged whiskey runner, was found shot dead in an automobile in Staten Island.

In the robberies, organized bands of gunmen have seemed to predominate. Thefts of valuable goods from railroad freight cars bulking big in packing cases, have been considerable. Stolen automobiles have been reported constantly. But holdups of the old time type, by day as well as night, on the street, in the home, in hotels, where masked and unmasked men have taken what they wanted at the point of pistols, have called forth the hue and cry against alleged "inadequate police protection."

Automobile bandits have made off with a number of factory payrolls and banks have seen gunmen walk in and demand money from the safe under penalty of instant death.

All this time the Police Department has been under fire. Police Commissioner Enright, right bower of the city administration, has been attacked continually in the newspapers because of the prevalence of the gunman.

The Commissioner has retorted by asserting that this condition exists elsewhere. To combat it he has lengthened the hours of police duty, called for 500 additional policemen and sent out automobile squads armed with rifles to patrol the shopping and business districts.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
Tonight cloudy, somewhat warmer. Tomorrow cloudy, probably fair.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:
Max. temp. 45 degs.
Min. temp. 35 degs.
General direction of wind: North. Cloudy.

AMERICAN NAVAL LIEUTENANT SHOT BY JAPANESE SENTRY FOR FAILING TO HALT

American Failed to Understand Japanese Command to Halt at Vladivostok and Sentry Shot Him--Japanese War Minister Cabled His Regrets to Washington and Sentry being Tried.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Lieutenant W. H. Langdon of the American cruiser Albany was shot by a Japanese sentry at Vladivostok when he failed to understand and heed a command to halt, it is said in the official version of the incident received today by the Japanese embassy from its government. It is reported that the sentry is being court-martialed. The Japanese minister of war has cabled his regrets to Washington.

URBAN POPULATION IS MORE THAN HALF

FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY CITIES AND TOWNS HAVE MORE PEOPLE THAN FARMS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 13.—For the first time in history, more than half the population of continental United States are living in urban territory. Persons living in cities and towns of more than 2,500 population in 1920 number 54,318,032, or 51.4 per cent of the total, the census bureau announced today. Those living in rural territory numbered 51,390,739. In 1910 the urban population represented 45.8 per cent. The urban and rural populations of states in 1920 include: Arkansas, 290,490 and 1,461,707; Texas, 1,512,889 and 3,150,529.

FORMER EMPRESS DYING.

By Associated Press.

Doorn, Holland, Jan. 13.—Former Emperor William of Germany and others at the House of Doorn are convinced that the death of the former Empress Augusta Victoria is a matter of only a short time and are resigned to the inevitable.

STOPPING UNREST.

By Associated Press.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 13.—Unrest among the people can be stopped by the development of parks, particularly those owned by the state, Richard Lieber, director of the Indiana Department of Conservation, told the national conference on parks here today. He blamed crowded conditions in the cities for much unrest, asserting that parks "are social safety valves on the seething and strained boilers of humanity."

"The road back to nature," Mr. Lieber said, "is the safe one and no enterprise can do more for the good of all the people than our glorious parks."

"Thinking of the state parks in all states as places of rest and service quarters for interstate automobile travelers," said Mr. Lieber, "I can visualize many places along the highways that connect our centers of population with the centers of recreation that would be glad and willing to make provisions for the wayfarer."

"Travel has largely given way to the individual manner of the automobile, and hence we must think up a supplementary service to this modern mode of locomotion by supplying the needed intermediary provisions for rest."

"All of us have seen compromises along the highways, automobile tents, trailers, improvised kitchens and laundries. The people that carry on in this fashion are by no means gypsies, but generally staid, home and nature loving folk who merely are gratifying the most natural wish of sightseeing. Many of these tourists are bound for the romantic and picturesque west and provisions must be made to take care of this constantly increasing stream by providing adequate stop-overs, not camps or hotels."

"I visualize such a place of rest as follows: A sufficiently large enclosure, a large gate to check in, an open center space, against the walls sheltered partitions for sleeping, a sheltered kitchen and pantry, where ever possible water and gas connection, garbage incinerator, sanitary arm latrines, septic tank, gasoline and oil filling machinery, a first aid repair shop, a gatekeeper, lodge and a staple grocery."

"Enterprising towns will quickly avail themselves of the opportunity."

On Texas University Honor Roll.

Three former pupils of the Laredo High School appear on the honor roll of the Texas University this month, all of them Laredo young people. One is Victor Sauvignot, one of 32 in the engineering class, while in the academic department is Miss May Netzer and Miss Julia McVicar. Miss Netzer was one of the first 2 per cent pupils in the academic department. All three young people graduated from the Laredo High School.

WILL INVESTIGATE DISLOYALTY CHARGE

COMMITTEE OF SEVEN TO HAVE AUTHORITY OF COURT TO BE APPOINTED BY SPEAKER.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 13.—The house today unanimously adopted a resolution offered by Representative Thrasher of Travis county for a committee of seven to investigate charges of disloyalty against Representative R. J. Nelms of Washington county. The committee, invested with the authority of a district court, will be named by the speaker.

TARIFF ON WHEAT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 13.—To stop "enormous importations of Canadian wheat," Senator McCumber (Republican) of North Dakota announced today he would ask that a tariff of probably 50c a bushel be included in the Forney emergency tariff bill, instead of the duty of 30c carried by the measure as it passed the house.

FOR DIRECT TRADING.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Plans for extension of direct trading between farmers and city consumers will be considered at the annual congress of the All-American Farmer-Labor Cooperative Commission which will convene at Cleveland February 10, it was announced here today at the headquarters of the commission. The heads of the national and state farm and labor organizations have been invited to attend, it was said, as well as representatives of women's organizations.

CHAMPION COWS.

By Associated Press.

Clifton, S. C., Jan. 13.—Two South Carolina counties are laying claim to having champion dividend-producing cows.

Greenville county recently announced a cow which had borne four Spa tanburg county is now claiming first honors because its cow bore calves within twelve months but two sets of twin calves during 1920. She is owned by L. E. Wright, a rural mail carrier of this place.

Word from Fort Atchison, Wis., a dairy center, says this is the first instance of a cow having borne two sets of twins in one year, as far as is known there.

FOUND ONE FLY.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 13.—Four sane and sober men celebrated that noisy first hour of 1921 by visiting New York's gay cafes and hotels to see if they could find one winter housefly. Unsuccessful along the Gay White Way they went lower on Manhattan Island where the less luxurious restaurants held their sleepless celebrants.

And in one of them they found a sorry specimen with a lean and hungry look. The Philadelphia man in the party of four did the dirty work. Then he sent the remains to the merchants' association which annually presents a scarf pin bearing a golden fly to the person who first kills a fly on New Year's Day.

"The capture of this insect, small as it is, means that we shall have several billions fewer flies next summer," said the funeral oration accompanying the scarf pin.

"Number 17" at Royal.

"Number 17," the William Fox picture drama founded on Louis Tracy's famous novel of the same title, will be shown at the Royal Theatre tonight for the last time. It has had a most successful run. George Walsh, the star, has increased his popularity in this city by his excellent performance in the role of Frank Theydon, the young author, who in protecting his sweetheart, becomes the enemy of a gang of criminals in New York's Chinatown. Every thrill in the book is intensified in the picture.

MINER LYNCHED BY MOB OF ALABAMANS

HELD ON CHARGE OF KILLING GUARDSMEN, HE WAS TAKEN FROM JAIL AND SHOT.

By Associated Press.

Jasper, Ala., Jan. 13.—William Beard, a miner held in connection with the killing of James Morris, a Guardsman, December 23 of last year, was taken from the Walker county jail here early today by a mob and later shot to death three miles from Jasper. The jailer and military authorities believed Beard had been rescued from prison by friends until the body was discovered by the roadside.

GOVERNMENT TUG IS BELIEVED WRECKED

FAILED TO REACH PORT AND DECK HOUSE WASHED UP ON BEACH AT GALVESTON.

By Associated Press.

Galveston, Texas, Jan. 13.—The United States engineering department tug Captain Taylor has been wrecked it is believed, and seven men of the crew have perished. The tug left Sabine Sunday for Galveston. Nothing was heard from her until today when the deck house and other wreckage came ashore at Galveston beach. Officials believe the tug was wrecked south of the jetty at Galveston harbor.

WILL NOT ABANDON TRAINING STATION

ADMIRAL WASHINGTON SAYS IT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT POST OF THE NAVY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Reports that the Great Lakes naval training station was to be abandoned were denied today by Rear Admiral Washington, chief of the bureau of navigation. Admiral Washington said that next to the great fleet base at Hampton Roads the Great Lakes station was regarded as the most important post the navy has.

LOAN TO GREECE.

By Associated Press.

Athens, Jan. 13.—The United States government has consented to advance the Greek government the \$32,000,000 already promised Greece when M. Venizelos was prime minister, but upon the condition that the money be expended in America for non-war material, it was announced here today.

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STOP BUILDING.

Secretary Daniels told the house naval affairs committee that we are faced with two alternatives: Either we must secure an agreement with practically all the nations of the world which will guarantee the end of competition in navy building, or we must have immeasurably the biggest navy in the world.

That is, unless the nations agree to reduce armaments in accordance with the league of nations covenant, or some other like agreement, we cannot afford to be second to any other nation in the matter of defensive armament.

There are at present two nations which are superior to ours in naval strength—Great Britain and Japan. The other day the English press called attention to the absurdity of Great Britain and the United States ever going to war with each other. But even so, this leaves Japan, the ally of Great Britain, as a potential enemy of ours, and so far we have made no agreement which would require England to keep hands off in case her ally Japan were to declare war upon us for any reason.

Combined, the British and Japanese navies could easily defeat us—at least with our present naval strength. Even alone, Japan could give us a much harder fight than any other nation except Great Britain.

If the league of nations—or the association of nations—is to be of any value in this century, its first act must be toward the reduction of the armaments which are now costing the world so much to maintain, without considering that the present tendency is to meet each attempt of one nation to increase its navy by a corresponding increase on the part of all the great powers.

There is but one country against which all the others would have to be armed if they were to enter into and keep such an agreement. And if Germany is prevented—by force, if need be—from building up a dangerous fleet, there would be no need for any nation to have more than a few vessels, which would form the combined fleet of the world for police purposes.

How comparatively cheaper it would be for all the nations to enter into such an agreement! The money expended in building, equipping and maintaining costly war vessels, which are useful for only a few years before they become obsolete, as well as the money wasted in keeping up a naval personnel, would be available for more useful ends.

The burden of taxation on the nations of Europe is so great that the unfortunate people are migrating in great numbers to avoid payment of what they consider a needless expense.

We have not yet felt the burden, for we have not kept up a great navy and an enormous standing army for years, as have the nations of Europe, but our naval cost in wartime has been staggering, if we only had time to figure it out.

The seven seas are fast becoming home waters to all nations. The wireless is bringing us news of far distant places within a few minutes of the daily happenings, and the modern fleet organization of the great powers enables any nation to protect its interests against aggression or against the hostile acts of still uncivilized peoples.

The turning of our naval vessels into merchant ships that would carry our commerce to all parts of the world would not only reduce the wasteful expense of maintaining a needless navy, but would add to our profit in such a way that we should soon become what we have longed to be and even arrogated the title of being, the greatest nation in the world.

Think of it! Two alternatives; one to keep on in an ever-increasing expenditure for naval vessels and men, or join with the other nations in an agreement to so reduce armaments that all should still be equal, without throwing our money into the sea.

AN ECHO OF MORONES.

According to the weekly newspaper published in Nuevo Laredo, "El Eco del Bravo," Luis Morones was not at all satisfied with the courteous explanation given him by the American consulate of the reason for refusing to vize his passport, but in a public address accused the American officials of a lack of courtesy toward him.

According to this reliable echo, Mr. Morones called on the people of Nuevo Laredo to show such courtesy to the American labor delegates upon their arrival there as to prove that Mexicans are possessed of at least something of gentility, and to let it be understood that they know it was not the American people who were guilty of acts so deserving of reprobation, and which are beyond a real gentleman.

Without knowing anything of the attitude of the Mexican editor towards our consulate in his city, one can easily read between the lines a message of anything but good will in this public expression of what the Mexican labor leader intended for public consumption.

Mr. Morones is disingenuous in his statement that he was treated with discourtesy. There is every evidence to show that he was received with a courtesy far beyond his merits, for he came to demand a privilege that

would be refused Americans of far more importance than Morones and his colleagues were they to present themselves at a Mexican consulate without a passport in proper order.

The people of America—especially those here on the border—have as a rule met with courtesy from the Mexican consulates, and in Laredo is this especially the case. On the other hand, the people of Nuevo Laredo have uniformly met with courtesy from the American consulate in that town, and from the highest to the lowest in social rank they have always been treated with respect.

Unfortunately there have been several cases where those who were (apparently) opposed to peace and good will between the two nations have gone out of their way to magnify daily happenings into international affairs. This sort of gadflies are enough to try the patience of even a saint, but as a rule they have no effect upon the acts of the nation.

The refusal to vize Morones' passport was in obedience to an order from Washington—not particularly against Morones, for it is doubtful if Morones were ever heard of in official Washington—but in regard to any passport which did not bear the proper vice from the district in which the bearer resides.

It is not likely that our government would feel called upon to lodge an official complaint if Patsy the newsboy were refused permission to cross into Mexico, or if the vice of the local Mexican consulate was refused for his passport because he had failed to comply with the regulations and have his passport stamped in New York.

Governments are great sticklers for the proper observance of the required forms. The Mexican government will respect the demand for observance of the regulation requiring that Morones should have had his passport stamped in Mexico City before leaving for the border. Just as our government would respect a similar requirement on the part of the Obregon government.

There is no discourtesy in our consulate refusing to make a special exception in the case of Labor Leader Morones. Indeed it is presumed that a man in his position should be more observant of requirements than would some ignorant day laborer who has to sign with his mark.

The trouble with Mr. Morones is that he probably is swelled with a sense of his own importance. He could not see why the government regulations should not be set aside, or even the sun stand still for this modern Joshua of the labor world, when HE came to the border.

There is not a man or woman in the two Laredos who will back up a statement that our consulate in Nuevo Laredo is lacking in courtesy for any, even the most humble, and there are many who go there daily.

FRANKLIN'S BIRTHDAY.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 12.—The versatile accomplishments of Benjamin Franklin will be retold throughout the country by various organizations on January 17, the 215th anniversary of his birth. In a number of celebrations tributes will be paid to him as a statesman, diplomat, philosopher, scientist, journalist, economist, salesman, philanthropist, humorist, printer and publisher.

As an advocate of spending less than one makes, Franklin is to be honored on his birthday by the National Thrift Week Committee, which is encouraging other celebrations of his work. University of Pennsylvania alumni here plan to hail him as the founder of their alma mater.

Libraries in many cities will call attention to Franklin as the founder of the first public library in the colonies.

FRISCO'S BIG DELEGATION WENT THROUGH LAST NIGHT

ARRIVED HERE TOO LATE TO BE GIVEN PROPOSED AUTO RIDE.

Laredo Chamber of Commerce Members Called and Paid Their Respects and Distributed Literature.

Notwithstanding the fact that arrangements had been made by the Laredo Chamber of Commerce to entertain the members of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce trade excursion when they reached Laredo yesterday afternoon, the delegation arrived here so late that the program of the local chamber of commerce had to necessarily be abandoned.

The San Francisco delegation, comprising 100 representative business men of Frisco, was scheduled to reach here yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock on a special train consisting of locomotive, four Pullmans, diner, observation and baggage car, and the Laredo Chamber of Commerce had planned to take them in automobiles for a trip over the city and through the onion fields, but the train did not reach here until 6 o'clock last evening, and the entertainment feature was abandoned, although a delegation of Laredo Chamber of Commerce members called on the Frisco delegation in their cars and distributed Laredo literature among them and invited them to stop over here on their return trip. The San Francisco delegation proceeded to Mexico about an hour after arrival here.

LISTS OF VICTIMS.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—German radical disciples of what is called here "Red Russian terrorism," who say they are planning to overturn the present German government and establish a proletarian dictatorship, openly announce that they have drawn up lists of "capitalists and undesirable" who shall be killed when the revolution begins.

One of these men, a hotel waiter, who calls himself a "precinct leader," complained the other day that his list included "nearly everybody around here" who has influence, property or money. He said, a "superior" came to him one day and read a list of names, and announced these were to be the "precinct leaders" quota when the killing began. The waiter declared he acknowledged "orders" but thought the program was being carried too far.

"As leader in this precinct I am expected to kill a lot of folks when the revolution gets under way," he said. "My list is certainly big enough. What do you think about that?"

Apparently his opinion of his orders was very low, but when asked if he would carry them out if opportunity offered he merely laughed.

Radicals of the most pronounced tendencies toward revolution and destruction may be encountered everywhere. They appear quite proud of the fact that Germany today is "a land of the freest speech on earth," and sometimes ask what would happen to men who preached their doctrine in the United States. Frequently they are students, carrying along with their textbooks all sorts of radical literature. They discuss their "plans" with great liberty. One of them, a small, mild mannered person, of distinctly Slav type, said it would be necessary to kill many people during the next revolution in order to impress upon the bourgeoisie that they "meant business."

"There will be piles of dead in the streets," he declared. "We'll just have to do it. We can't treat these bourgeoisie kindly, for they wouldn't appreciate it. We'll have to impress them with our earnestness. We will line them up by the score against buildings on the main streets and shoot them. We will want all to see what we're doing. Of course, I will do my share and if necessary will give my life to the cause."

Police authorities apparently are not much concerned about the "red terrorism," for their policy is to permit the radicals to have their say, and go their way in peace. Arrests are very infrequent.

IOWA IN LEAD.

By Associated Press.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 12.—How Iowa, generally considered a purely agricultural state, has won a place among the leading states of the nation in the field of park creation and development, was described today to the first National Conference on Parks by Dr. L. H. Pammel, chairman of the Iowa board of conservation. The address was planned to show how other states may plan similar work and was offered as the keynote of the conference.

With nearly a score of parks of various sizes already in existence, Dr. Pammel declared the Iowa board was working for the establishment of 25 large park areas, each having probably 1,000 acres or more. It sought also, he said, the preservation for the public of the 70 lakes and lake shores in the state, creation of many "parklets" so that every county would have at least one such recreation place, protection of plan life along railroad rights-of-way, which are the sole remaining stretches of original prairie, and the linking together of all these beauty spots by adequate highways.

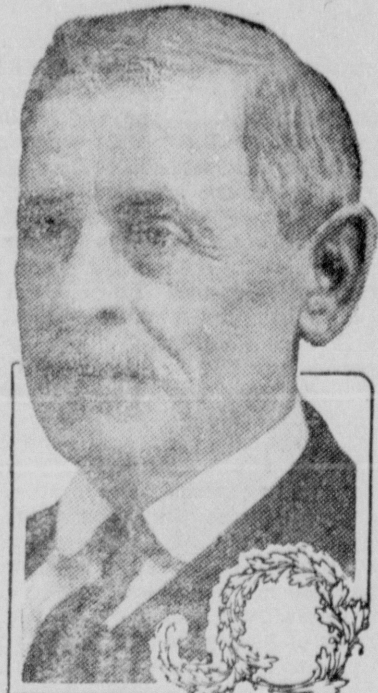
The Iowa state board of conservation was established by the legislature with an annual appropriation of \$50,000 supplied from hunters' license fees, Dr. Pammel said. The law subsequently was amended to make the annual appropriation \$100,000 and in addition any portion of the fish and game protection fund not needed for the state fish and game department. The board also was given, jointly with the state's executive council, to which are referred all of the board's recommendations, entire charge of the Iowa lakes.

The first work undertaken was a survey of the state to find out what areas should be preserved for recreational, scenic, scientific or historic reasons. Enthusiastic co-operation was met from citizens, who in numerous instances contributed liberally to the initial cost of the parks which have been established. Dr. Pammel said. This policy was encouraged by the board which felt that 75 per cent of the value of a park accrued to the benefit of the local community.

One of the most interesting phases of the board's work, Dr. Pammel remarked, has been the effort to find and preserve some original prairie to show what the great middle west was like in the days of '49.

In discussing state park policies, Dr. Pammel said Iowa's experience showed that parkable areas should be acquired outright and kept in their original condition as far as possible, only sufficient building being undertaken to enable the public to use the parks with benefit. Highways to parks were declared essential, but within them only trails should be constructed, he said.

JOHN H. HERNS, of J. Cincinnati, Ohio, who says his wonderful restoration to health since taking Tanlac has astonished all his friends, has gained twenty pounds.



"My friends are all astonished over my wonderful restoration to health since taking Tanlac," said John H. Herns, of 308 East Front St., Cincinnati, Ohio, recently.

"I don't know what it is, but there is something about Tanlac that certainly does the work," he said, "and I firmly believe if it hadn't been for this medicine I wouldn't be here now. It completely restored my health and I have a splendid appetite now, and can eat anything I want without being troubled in the least afterwards."

"Before taking Tanlac my health was dreadfully rundown. My main trouble was indigestion and I suffered misery night and day. I never seemed hungry and the little I ate upset my stomach. I was nervous and couldn't get a good night's sleep. I lost thirty-four pounds and was going down hill rapidly. It seemed like the more medicine I took the worse I got."

"But since taking Tanlac I am like a brand new man. I sleep like a farm hand all night and feel just fine all day. In fact, I'm a perfectly well man once more. Tanlac certainly beats anything I ever saw in my life."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by City Drug Store, and all leading druggists.

LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE.

Title at Stake—Lightweight championship of the world. Contestants—Benny Leonard, of New York, present titleholder, and Ritchie Mitchell, of Milwaukee, challenger.

Date of Bout—Friday night, January 14. Place—Madison Square Garden, New York City.

Distance—Fifteen rounds to a decision.

Weight—135 pounds at 2 p. m. on day of contest.

Purse—Sixty thousand dollars, of which Leonard is to get \$40,000 and Mitchell \$20,000. Net profits will be donated to fund for devastated France.

New York, Jan. 12.—Down to weight and apparently in shape to go the distance of fifteen rounds, Champion Leonard and Challenger Ritchie Mitchell today knocked off training. Each fighter expressed himself to day as certain of victory, and the consensus of opinion of fight followers presages a contest in Madison Square Garden next Friday night that will make history. To the fight fans of this vicinity the challenger is little known except by reputation, but there appears to be a rather remarkable undercurrent of opinion in his favor.

While Leonard has shown visible signs of going back, there are many close observers who have been predicting for some time that a change of ownership of the lightweight crown is about due. Whether Mitchell is the lad to deprive the doubtless Leonard of the title he has held for nearly four years is a question that will be answered under the spotlight in the arena on Friday night.

Leonard will enter the ring a favorite at odds of probably 2 to 1, which is likely to attract plenty of short-end money. The Milwaukeean is bubbling over with confidence, and he has many friends who will back him liberally at the quoted price. Considerable money on the length of the contest is registered, many being willing to bet that Mitchell will stay 15 rounds.

Like his rugged and battle-scarred opponent, Mitchell is a slashing fighter, carrying a stiff wallop in either hand. The Milwaukeean is in his element when at close range, hammering both fists against some unprotected portion of his opponent's anatomy.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

CELEBRATION PLANS MADE AND PROGRAM IS IN MAKING

LAREDO WILL HONOR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY WASHINGTON.

Only Tentative Program Announced, But There Will be Many Interesting Events on Complete Program.

The citizens of Laredo will again this year celebrate the birthday anniversary of George Washington with grand festivities likened to those of the twenty years prior to the beginning of the war, when the citizenry of this city staged the grandest celebrations of the kind in the country and thousands of people from various portions of this country and Mexico came here to participate in the festivities. The celebration this year will begin on February 22, these to consist of a spectacular street parade and various events during the day and a grand fireworks display at night depicting the Battle of Chateau Thierry, participated in by the people of both Laredo, Texas, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and which promises to be one of the most spectacular and interesting firework displays ever witnessed in Texas.

The celebration this year will be under the auspices of Yaqui Tribe No. 4, Improved Order of Red Men, and among the events to be staged on the morning of February 22 just prior to the grand street parade will be the customary attack on the city hall by Indians, the surrender of the key of the city to Pocahontas and many other interesting events. The program is now being arranged and will be ready a few days.

Street fairs will be a feature of the celebration this year and carnival features will also be furnished for ten days by the Greater Wortham Shows of San Antonio. Military events will be on the program, and in fact the military will take a big part in the three days program, including participation of all military forces here in the grand street parade on February 22. The people of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, working in conjunction with the people of Laredo, will provide a series of attractive features for visitors, including bullfights, Mexican fairs and various other entertainments, while some of the largest hands of Mexico will be brought here to furnish music.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN, Secretary.
A. J. NEFF, President.
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Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get rid of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent."

Who Killed Gerald R. Alexander?

The Times several days ago contained an account of the finding of the dead body of Gerald R. Alexander, colored, on the banks of the Rio Grande not far from the Marulanda farm with a dagger wound through the heart. Arrests made in a Texas city of two men suspected of knowledge of the crime may lead to some interesting developments and prove that Alexander was not murdered by Mexicans as was at first suspected. More details will be given later.

The Healing Mission.

Christ Church was crowded last night with town people coming to hear Mr. Henry S. Blandford give a masterful presentation of the Biblical authority for healing as part of the full ministry of Christ, for the Scripture in all places couples the preaching of the word with healing the sick. The speaker made a very powerful impression upon his hearers by showing that the commission given to Christ to preach and to heal was given in its fullness to the apostles and then to "the seventy," then to all those who were influenced by their word. In other words, those called to preach and teach must think of the commission to heal also. God wills that we shall be whole and free from the work of the devil by attuning and paralleling our wills in order to receive the benefit of His willing. There must be a unity in asking—an altruism which is productive of good to all concerned. The sound basis for spiritual healing as set forth by Mr. Blandford fully equals the presentation of the subject by Mr. Hickson, for the writer has sympathetically heard both on several occasions.

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TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$

FOUR BANKS HOLD MEETINGS FOR THE ANNUAL ELECTIONS

NO CHANGES MADE IN OFFICIAL STAFFS OF ANY BANK.

Some Few Changes Made in Directors of Three of the Institutions; All Officers Are Re-elected.

Stockholders' meetings of the four banking institutions of Laredo—the Laredo National Bank, the Milmo National Bank, the First State Bank & Trust Co. and the Merchants State Bank & Trust Co.—took place on Tuesday at the various institutions and boards of directors and officers for the ensuing year were elected.

The Laredo National Bank stockholders elected the following directors for the ensuing year: J. K. Beretta, I. Alexander, J. R. Moore, Darío Sanchez, S. V. Edwards, A. W. Wilcox and B. M. Alexander. The directors met and re-elected the following officers: J. K. Beretta, president; B. M. Alexander, vice-president; Sam W. Brown, cashier; M. W. Brennan, A. L. Vidaurri and J. R. Fasnacht, assistant cashiers.

The Milmo National Bank stockholders elected the following board of directors for the ensuing year: Miles T. Cogley, G. P. Farías, A. M. Bruni, T. A. Austin and L. J. Christen. The directors met immediately after the meeting of stockholders and re-elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Miles T. Cogley, president; A. M. Bruni, vice-president; G. P. Farías, cashier; Albert Martin, H. S. Cluck, P. W. Buttrick, A. J. Notzon and L. E. Bruni, assistant cashiers.

The First State Bank & Trust Co. stockholders elected the following board of directors to serve for the ensuing year: J. T. Halsell, Pablo B. Juarez, R. K. Mims, R. A. Millar, T. C. Mann, Joe Moser and Ben F. Levy. The directors met immediately thereafter and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: R. K. Mims, president; Pablo B. Juarez and John T. Halsell, vice-presidents; L. A. Lafon, cashier; S. Vela and R. M. Martinez, assistant cashiers.

The Merchants State Bank & Trust Co. stockholders elected the following board of directors for the ensuing year: B. G. Salinas, P. B. Juarez, M. Ferrara Volpe, Ismael Rodriguez, L. Villegas, D. M. Valdez, Melquiades Garcia. Officers will be elected at a meeting to be called later in the month.

CONFERENCE OF CITIZENS TOOK PLACE LAST EVENING

PLANS FOR THE INAUGURAL SPECIAL TO AUSTIN MADE.

Mexican Delegation Will Concentrate in Laredo Sunday and Leave Here With the Laredo Delegation.

An enthusiastic meeting of Laredo citizens was held at the Chamber of Commerce quarters last night, and discussed ways and means of providing for the reception and entertainment of the governors of the various states of Mexico, as also the staff representatives of President Oregon.

It was decided that sufficient sleepers be chartered to provide transportation for our distinguished guests from Laredo to Austin, and return complimentary and as an appreciation for selecting Laredo as the point of concentration for attending the inauguration. Our people are proud of the fact that Laredo was designated as the official escort for the governors and President Oregon's staff out of Mexico, and it was urged that our citizens generally should appreciate this honor and make all arrangements necessary and every effort possible to attend the inaugural ceremony.

The committees will all be at work during today and the next few days getting a complete list of the number and personnel out of Mexico, as well as securing acceptances and making reservations for all Laredo citizens who wish to attend the Neff inauguration. All the citizens from Laredo, as well as the officials from Mexico, will constitute the complete delegation and make up the special train to arrive at Austin.

The committee urges that every citizen who proposes to attend the inauguration should file his name with Secretary Mally of the Chamber of Commerce not later than Thursday noon, January 13th, in order that reservations may be made and a sufficient number of sleepers chartered for making the trip.

A special effort is being made to concentrate all the delegations out of Mexico at Laredo Sunday, in order that a greater portion of Monday may be spent in San Antonio, ahead of the time of arrival at Austin Tuesday morning, January 18th.

Constipation.

Constipation of the bowels is a toppage of the sewerage system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the waste pipes of your home be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

LOCAL NEWS

—The special attraction at the Royal Theater tomorrow night is "Number 17," a drama of love and mystery in a big city, starring George Walsh in the best role in which he has appeared in many a day. The fact that George Walsh is the star suffices to guarantee the Royal a full house.

—Mrs. T. A. Austin's class in Music Appreciation, will meet Saturday morning, at 10:15, at home of Mrs. Austin. Please be prompt. A large number have now enrolled, others desiring to enter class phone 2-1-7. If everyone could be educated to appreciate the better music, a public sentiment would be created which would demand good music. 1-11-2t.

—Bessie Barriscale in "Life's Twist" is the feature production at the Rialto Theater today and tomorrow. This is a twirling drama involving the loves of a poor little rich girl with a rich little poor girl. And then, too, the star is Bessie Barriscale. Nuf sed.

—How is that water heater? If it needs attention call Miller, the plumber. Phone 506. 1-11-6t.

—Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-1t.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Herculano Vela and Miss Francisca Vela.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-1t.

—The Red Men of Laredo are going to put on one of those old-time celebrations of Washington's Birthday Anniversary again this year and Laredo can expect thousands of visitors here to enjoy the various features offered on the program. Write to your friends and tell them about the celebration.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigreed seed. Please write or full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-1t.

—There has been no district court this week on account of the fact that District Judge J. F. Mullally has been confined to his home suffering from a slight indisposition, but is now on the road to recovery.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-1t.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-1t.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-2-1t.

BIG CHANGE IN THE WEATHER IN EVIDENCE THIS MORNING

COOL NORTHER WITH MISTING RAIN ARRIVED EARLY TODAY

Indications Were Favorable for a Good Rain, Which is Badly Needed By Both Farmers and Stockmen.

The weather forecast issued yesterday by the weather bureau for the Laredo country was partially fulfilled and insofar as a change in the weather was concerned, that prophecy materialized, but there was no rain or freeze, and only a very light misting rain was in evidence this morning instead.

A fresh norther struck here in the early hours of this morning, causing a sudden drop in the mercury and the weather gradually became colder during the morning hours. A misting rain also continued for some time and indications were favorable for a good downpour before the skies cleared and the old sun has an opportunity to show his face again.

The present kind of weather, with plenty of moisture to accompany it, will be favorable to the great Bermuda onion crop now growing in this section and which is in fine condition, while other vegetation will also be benefited by a good wet spell. Grass on the ranges, which is very scant at this time, would start growing fast now should a heavy rain visit the different big ranches in this section of the state and cattle would soon be in good condition with plenty of young grasses on the ranges.

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OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 11.

Miss Alice Paul, one of the foremost leaders of the National Woman's Party, born at Moorestown, N. J., 36 years ago today.

Leigh C. Palmer, former captain in the U. S. Navy and chief of the bureau of navigation in the world war, born at St. Louis, 48 years ago today.

Earl Curzon of Kedleston, celebrated British statesman and cabinet minister, born at Kedleston, England, 2 years ago today.

James H. Hustis, president of the Boston & Maine Railroad born in New York City, 57 years ago today.

William Spry, former governor of Utah, born in Berkshire, England, 57 years ago today.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

JANUARY 11.

An anti-dynastic revolt in Sofia was put down by the new Agrarian Government under Premier Stambolsky.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

New Jersey legislature meets today to begin its regular annual session. The annual Saskatchewan Seed Fair will open at Saskatoon today and continue until Friday.

President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor is scheduled to speak today before the Congress of Latin-American Workers, in Mexico City.

The proposed increase in freight rates on fuel wood and pulp wood in the Northwest is to be the subject of a conference of lumbermen and others at Tacoma today.

Woman suffrage and proposed amendments to the liquor laws will be among the important subjects to come before the session of the Quebec legislative assembly which is to open today.

A BOLD PRIEST.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 11.—Father Michael O'Flanagan, acting president of Sinn Fein, who sent the famous telegram to Premier Lloyd George asking him what steps he proposed to make peace in Ireland before Christmas, is described by one who knows him as "the sort of man who would not hesitate to argue with the Pope himself."

"When he was curate of Crossna," says Professor Robert Mitchell Henry in "The Evolution of Sinn Fein," "Father O'Flanagan had taken a very active part on the side of Sinn Fein in the East Caven election, when Arthur Griffith was returned.

"Soon after he was deprived by his bishop, Dr. Coyne, of all his faculties as a priest, including the right to say mass. The technical offense for which he was punished was that of having addressed meetings within the boundaries of three parishes of the local parish priests.

"Everyone knew that the real reason for his punishment was not the technical offense, but the fact that his speeches had been strongly and even violently, Sinn Fein.

"The people of Crossna retorted by shutting up the parish church, and refusing to allow mass to be said in it by anyone else."

After the Easter rising of 1916, Father O'Flanagan took Eamonn de Valera's place.

In appearance, he is described as a smiling man in early middle age, with just a suspicion of silver in his jet-black hair. His conversation is easy and witty, and on the platform he is an effective speaker, with a crisp command of epigram.

Eyes Right!

People who have glass eyes should not throw stony stares.—Cartoons Magazine.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets Are a Harmless Substitute

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. For 17 years he used these tablets (a vegetable compound mixed with olive oil) in his private practice with great success.

They do all the good that calomel does but have no bad after effects. No pains, no griping, no injury to the gums or danger from acid foods—yet they stimulate the liver and bowels. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets when you feel "loggy" and "heavy." Note how they clear clouded brain and perk up the spirits.

15c and 30c. a box.

And Out!

Wilkins—Why is Brooks winding up his affairs?

Bilking—Oh, just because the doctor tells him he is all run down.—Cartoon Magazine.

TAKES PAIN OUT OF RHEUMATISM

Keep Sloan's handy for backache strains and sprains, too

SLOAN'S Liniment has been sold for 39 years. Today, it is more popular than ever. There can be but one answer—Sloan's produces results.

Applied without rubbing, it penetrates to the afflicted part, bringing relief from rheumatic twinges, sciatica; sore, stiff, strained muscles; backaches, sprains, and other external pains, often the result of exposure. It leaves no mumminess, skin stain or clogged pores.

Get a large bottle for greater economy. Keep it handy for use when needed. Your druggist has it. Three sizes—35c, 70c, \$1.40.

Sloan's Liniment Pain's enemy

PROCLAMATION.

To the qualified Electors of the City of Laredo.

I, L. Villegas, Mayor of the City of Laredo, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter Amendment Ordinance of the City of Laredo, adopted and approved by the city council thereof, on the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1920, do hereby proclaim and give notice that a special election will be held in and for said City of Laredo on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1921, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors thereof, for their adoption or rejection, all those certain proposed amendments to the existing Charter of the City of Laredo, as set forth in the RESOLUTION OF INTENTION, adopted by said city council of the City of Laredo on the 26th day of November, A. D. 1920, and published in The Laredo Daily Times on December 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, A. D. 1920, and as set forth in the said Charter Amendment Ordinance passed and approved by the city council of the City of Laredo on the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1920, and published in said Laredo Daily Times on December 27, 1920;

That said special election shall be held at the following voting places in the City of Laredo and shall be conducted under the management and supervision of the following named officers to-wit:

In Precinct No. 1, at F. Sanchez Garza house, 301 Iturbide street; Presiding Judge, M. A. Hirsch; Associate Judges, F. Sanchez Garza and Hugh S. Cluck.

In Precinct No. 2 at Fire Engine House, 912 Matamoros street; Presiding Judge, G. P. Farias; Associate Judges, A. H. Dodder and Joe Barberio.

In Precinct No. 3, at A. R. Garcia house, 1114 Lincoln street; Presiding Judge, R. L. Muller; Associate Judges, D. H. Sanchez and Emilio Dodder.

In Precinct No. 4, at Urbahn school house, 1619 Victoria street; Presiding Judge, P. P. Leyendecker; Associate Judges, C. C. Biggio and E. H. Buenoz.

That in the conduct of said election the officers, judges and managers thereof shall be governed by the General Laws of this State, and shall make returns thereof in accordance therewith.

That the "Official Ballot" as prescribed in said Charter Amendment Ordinance shall be used at such special election, and all voters desiring to vote shall write under each question either "Yes," or "No," in the blank line left for that purpose.

Given under my hand this 5th day of January, A. D. 1921.

L. VILLEGAS,

Mayor of the City of Laredo.

Attest: A. R. GARCIA,

City Secretary.

1-5-20T.

A Good Reason.

"Why is the hourglass made small in the middle?"
"To show the waste of time."—Cartoons Magazine.

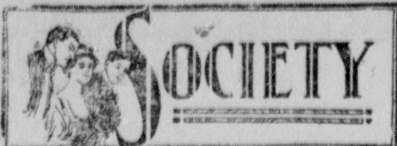
The War Taxes the Nerve Energy of the Country

To win the war every energy of body and mind must be concentrated to the purpose. It will not do for you to become stale. If the necessary high rate of speed exhausts you, if you forget things and cannot sleep nights, if your digestion is impaired and you are irritated by small things, that is a sign your nervous system is breaking down, and it is time for you to take

SENSAPERSA

which will help rebuild the worn-out nerves and tissues, and put you in the front ranks. The properties of this blood tonic and nerve sedative should double your nerve health in ten days and you will be able to vigorously attack your daily problems with renewed strength and ability to resist the strain caused by the conditions of to-day. Two sizes, 50c, and \$1.00 at your Druggist or from

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

There will be a meeting of the Sunbeam Band at the Baptist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Junior Auxiliary at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, under the direction of Mrs. C. W. Cook.

There will be a meeting of the Tuesday Music and Literary Club at Elks Hall at 4 o'clock.

Wednesday.

The Parish Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Elmer Anderson at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Evergreen Crown.

Borne on the current of Life's swift stream,
Once launched from the bosom of Time,

Each human bark, with a fitful gleam Of joy and light, like an airy dream, Quick passes beyond the mystic clime Of the Morning's voice, Youth's silvery chime,

To the fierce Nontide, through the chilling dew,
Which falls in the shades of the cypress and yew.

The cypress, the yew, Death's darkens endears

When Life with its burdens flows down,

To sleep in the Sea of the Slumbering Years,

Where the Islands of Hope mark the Tides of Life's tears,

Earth decking, alike, with her evergreen crown

Young Joy's fair brow, or Misfortune's frown.

There, Life-dreams are garnered and live again,

Through the dark yew's roots, from the dust of men.

—Robert Fulkerson Hoffman.

General Mention.

Mr. S. E. Woods has returned from a short business trip in Mexico.

Mr. William George, after a short visit to Captain and Mrs. Zupann at Fort McIntosh, has gone to Tampico, Mexico.

Mr. J. A. MacDonald has returned to Mercedes, Texas, after a visit to his family.

Little Alta Louise Parma has returned home from a visit to her grandmother in San Antonio.

Messrs. A. and Geo. Mansur returned yesterday to their home in San Benito after a short visit here to their sister, Mrs. J. Shahady.

Mrs. M. Joseph will arrive in the city this afternoon from San Benito for a visit to her grand-daughter, Mrs. J. Shahady.

Mrs. Wiley A. Bell, Jr., who has been here in the practice of law for some months past, leaves tomorrow for Dallas, where he will engage in law practice.

Announcement.

The Revellers Club will entertain with a carnival dance on the evening of February 24.

Missionary Notes.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held a business meeting, after which an interesting program was given, followed by installation of officers for the new year. Rev. Fred conducted the installation services and then Mrs. Manford, the newly elected president of the society, took the chair and presided over the meeting. In reviewing the work of the past year it was gratifying to note that there was a gain in each line of work. Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames Manford, Cone, Emerson, A. G. Thompson, Mims, Sam Brown, J. K. Thompson, Crawford, J. E. Thompson, F. E. Shanks, J. W. Thompson, Miller, Buenoz, Burnett, Hart and Skinner.

Nullo's Club.

Mrs. Agnes Huberich entertained the members of the Nullo's Club very delightfully yesterday afternoon. In the series of games of bridge played the high score was held by Mrs. A. E. Derby, who was given an attractive card table cover. The low score was held by Mrs. Cogley who received a deck of cards. At the conclusion of the games the hostess served a salad course. Those enjoying the hospitality of the occasion were: Mesdames Claude Hamilton, Stanley Copeland, A. E. Derby, McKinney, J. S. Penn, Turner, Witting, and Cogley.

Secular Concert.

Christ Church Choir will give a secular concert at Elks Hall, Thursday, January 27, at 8:15 o'clock. The personnel of the choir is as follows: Mrs. Sue J. Smith, Mrs. E. B. Adams, Mrs. W. N. Young, Mrs. W. W. MacGregor, Miss Courtney Slaughter, Miss Clara Nelson, Miss May Lines; Mr. E. B. Adams, Mr. M. H. Morgan, Mr. P. V. Blanchard, Mr. C. W. Cook, Mr. Leonard Nelson. Junior Choir—

James Ward, Evans Younkin, Horace Kehl, Edward Shahady, Mendel Morgan, Thomas Greenstreet, Anna May Mussett, Emilie Haiselt, Anita Laue, Mary Cook, Marjory Fish, Carolyn Brennan and Mary Bosse MacDonald, Flora Dilgarde Anderson, Organist and director.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

Asia contains more than one-half of the total population of the earth. Public baths abound in Japan, and the poorest citizen bathes usually twice a day.

The French make a beautiful, and, it is said, very tasty salad of pink and white clover-blossoms.

It is estimated that two years are required for the Gulf Stream water to travel from Florida to the coast of Norway.

Smoking is universal in Siam, and children begin to puff the native cigarette, roled in lotus-leaf, at the tender age of three or four.

The Chinese have devoted themselves for nearly four thousand years to the artificial propagation of fish, pearls, and sponges.

The episcopal ring was formerly set with any gem. It is however at the present time generally set with an amethyst or a sapphire.

When spectacles were first introduced it was considered fashionable to wear them even by people who were not in the least near-sighted.

The name of the "Empire State" was first given to New York by George Washington, in his reply to an address from the New York City common council in 1784.

South America has the greatest unbroken extent of level surface of any region of the globe. The plains close to the Orinoco are so flat that the motion of the rivers can scarcely be detected over an area of two hundred thousand square miles.

The famous "Blue Danube" waltz came to Johann Strauss one day while he was strolling in the park with his wife, and having not a scrap of paper at hand, he wrote it on the white collar worn by Frau Strauss, as his own linen was limp-colored calico.

The favorite sport of the Siamese is fish fighting. The fighting fish are described as being long and very ferocious. The moment they are placed together in a vessel of water they dart at one another, and the on-lookers become so excited over the contest that they will wager anything they have at hand on the success of their favorite fish.

The heaviest timbers are oak, teak, jarrah (an Australian wood) and greenheart; the lightest are willow, poplar and spruce. The difference is enormous. A cubic foot of teak will weigh 80 pounds, while a cubic foot of willow does not exceed 13 pounds. Besides being one of the heaviest the African teak oak is also the strongest of all woods.

BUSINESS ETHICS LEAGUE.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—A "Business Ethics League," based on the idea which underlies the Bribery and Secret Commissions Prevention League of Great Britain, is now in process of formation, and contemplates a convention in this city next month. The league would be composed of persons business concerns and organizations which see the necessity of better business practice, and would be designed not to supplant efforts by existing organizations, but to co-ordinate with them.

Joshua W. Alexander, Secretary of Commerce, has expressed the opinion that the creation and maintenance of ethical standards in business is an important work. Other prominent persons who have shown interest in the general program looking toward the organization of the league, are Miss Mabel L. Boardman, commissioner of the District of Columbia; Charles F. Abbott, of the New York Sales Managers' Club; John Lind, secretary of a trade association, and Howard Elliott, chairman of the board of directors of the Northern Pacific Railway.

NEW BRITISH COINS.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 11.—A new standard of silver coinage has just been put into effect in the United Kingdom because of the great increase in the value of silver.

New sixpences, shillings, florins and half-crowns, now only contain one-half of pure silver instead of 37/40th as heretofore.

A larger admixture of alloy became necessary when the old coins became worn more than their face value.

The new coins are harder, and are expected to outlast the old ones, which are being called in and will be minted into new currency.

LUMBERMEN OF CANADA.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 11.—Leading men of all branches of the lumber industry in Canada are gathering in the capital for the annual meetings of their several associations. Most important of the conventions will be that of the Canadian Lumbermen's Association, which will meet tomorrow for a session of two days. Numerous important problems confronting the industry are scheduled for consideration.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

ACTING SECRETARY DAVIS ASKED FOR THE DEPORTATION OF LORD MAYOR O'CALLAHAN

Quoted as Authority Proclamation of President Wilson in 1918 Designating Secretary of State as One to Decide as to Admission or Rejection of Alliance Under Passport Regulations.

MUST HAVE BIG NAVY SAID DANIELS TODAY

EITHER THAT OR AGREEMENT OF ALL NATIONS TO STOP BUILDING MORE SHIPS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 11.—An international agreement "with all or practically all nations which will guarantee to end competition in navy building" was presented as the only alternative to the building by the United States of a navy powerful enough to "command the respect and fear of the world," by Secretary Daniels in his testimony today before the house naval affairs committee. The naval secretary, who appeared before the committee in connection with the consideration of the subject of disarmament, dismissed as unworthy of discussion a third proposal for an American navy less than equal to the most powerful sea power in the world, "because it is a waste of money to spend money on an agency of war which would be helpless if needed."

WANTS EGYPTIANS TO BE ADDED TO FUTURES

PACIFIC COAST COTTON MAN ASKS AMENDMENT TO THE COTTON FUTURES ACT.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 11.—An amendment to the United States cotton future act to include American Egyptian cotton in grades tenderable on contract was urged before the house agricultural committee today by R. K. M. Turner, treasurer of the Pacific Cotton Exchange at Los Angeles, California. He said the legislation would afford the American Egyptian cotton the same protection for business enjoyed by other cotton interests.

HATES VENIZELLOS.

By Associated Press.

Athens, Jan. 11.—Demetrios Rhallis, the new Greek Premier who succeeded Venizelos when the latter was defeated in the elections last autumn, hates the sight of Venizelos and has by no means always been an admirer of Constantine, who now has been recalled as king.

Rhallis regards Venizelos as a political adventurer. This in part may be due to the fact that when Venizelos came from Crete to Athens and gained the political ascendancy, Rhallis' reputation as a politician was somewhat damaged.

In his long political career, the new premier has generally been at loggerheads with the crown. He often has disputes with the late King George and it was not until Constantine was dethroned by the Entente powers that Rhallis really regarded him seriously. This action of the Entente, however, converted Rhallis to become a supporter of Constantine's cause and, since 1916, he has been devoted to that ruler.

Rhallis is one of the most interesting characters in Greece. He is a polished statesman and is often referred to as a "dear old man." (He is about 80.)

His favorite pets are goats and fowls, which he owns in great numbers and feeds with his own hands. When not in public office he practices his profession of the law. In his younger days he spent a considerable fortune in politics.

Funeral Held Yesterday.

The funeral of Eugene David was held yesterday from his home to San Agustin church and was attended by many of his old friends. Interment being in the Catholic cemetery. During the day many acquaintances of the pioneer resident called at the home to pay their last respects to the dead. The U. S. army was represented, as was also the American Legion post of Laredo.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Deportation of Donald O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork who arrived at Newport News last week as a stowaway without a passport, was requested of the department of labor today by Acting Secretary Davis of the state department. Mr. Davis' request which was in writing, quoted as authority the proclamation issued by President Wilson in August, 1918 designating the secretary of state as the one to decide whether an alien coming under the passport regulations should be admitted or denied admission to the country.

Contested in Courts.

New York, Jan. 11.—The legal right of the state department to make an order of deportation for Lord Mayor Donald O'Callaghan, requested today by Acting Secretary Davis, will be contested in the courts, if necessary, counsel for the lord mayor said here today.

To Appear Before Commission.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Donald O'Callaghan, lord mayor of Cork, who arrived in the United States as a stowaway, in whose case the state department has refused to issue a passport, is to appear before the committee of the House of Representatives today before the committee on immigration and naturalization.

NORWEGIAN VESSEL PLEADED FOR HELP

IN DISTRESS AT SEA AND SENT WIRELESS CALL WHICH WAS PICKED UP TODAY.

By Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 11.—Wireless distress signals calling for "help at the first possible moment" were picked up here early today from the Norwegian steamer "Guthrie," which left here yesterday for London, carrying 120 passengers. The message was received at 1:20 p. m. and the ship was not seen until 1:50 p. m. when it was sighted by a patrol boat from the station. The "Guthrie" said it was running to the assistance of the "Guthrie."

LIVESTOCK MEN AT EL PASO.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 11.—All arrangements have been completed for the annual convention of the American National Livestock Association, the sessions of which will begin here tomorrow and continue through the remainder of the week. The gathering will be attended by stock growers, commission men, transportation officials, representatives of the packing industry and others interested in livestock industry from many parts of the country.

A WHEAT FAMINE.

By Associated Press.

Algiers, Jan. 11.—"The Drinkers of Sunshine," as the Arab shepherds call themselves in their own language, are on the verge of starvation throughout Algeria and unless wheat is imported from America may have nothing but sunshine as a steady diet during the winter. The threatening famine in Algeria is the result of a long drought. No rain has fallen for a year.

This has proved a calamity for the Arab shepherds, nomads living practically by their flocks. Seventy-five per cent of the sheep in Algeria have died as a result of the drought and the Arab "Drinkers of Sunshine," dreamers and philosophers, incapable of any work but that of guarding their flocks, are in dire straits.

Governor General Abel of Algeria, has left for Paris to ask the government to arrange for the importation of wheat from America or Argentina to tide the people over the crisis.

Old Timer Returns.

Mr. Frank McEvers of Jackson, Miss., has returned and may once more make this section his home. He is at present a guest of Mr. L. A. Reiser at Reiser. Mr. McEvers is a drifter and helped to bring in the first gas well at Reiser. He returned to his old home about ten years ago, but has returned hoping that something may turn up in his line that will enable him to remain here. He has been busy shaking hands with his old time friends ever since his arrival.

ASKS THREE MILLION FOR LOSS OF HIS JOB

BIGGEST DAMAGES EVER CLAIMED ARE ASKED IN SUIT OF COL. SLAUGHTER'S BROTHER.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 11.—Alleging breach of contract and slander, a suit for \$3,000,000 damages, said to be probably the largest sum in litigation of the kind ever entered in an American court, was filed in the Forty-fourth district court here late yesterday. W. B. Slaughter, brother of the late Col. C. C. Slaughter, the plaintiff, in the petition names as defendants his three sons and their nephews, all children of his dead brother who shared in the \$3,000,000 estate of Colonel Slaughter. The petition alleges that the defendants made a verbal agreement with the plaintiff, whereby the plaintiff was to be appointed manager of the Slaughter Packing Company, but that the defendants, in violation of this agreement, have refused to do so. Slaughter was discharged by the defendants.

TWO NERVY BANDITS GOT BIG HAUL TODAY

SLUGGED MESSENGER AND ESCAPED WITH SATCHEL CONTAINING \$20,000 IN CASH.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 11.—Two bandits slugged a messenger as he was en route from the Produce Exchange here today, seized a satchel containing \$20,000 in cash and \$5,000 worth of jewelry, and escaped in an automobile. The messenger, who was not seriously injured, was shot at three times by the bandits without effect.

ANOTHER VICTIM.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 11.—Saturday's fire in England in which seven persons perished claimed its eighth victim today when Dan Campbell, about 65 years old, died in a local hospital.

THE KAISER'S MOSQUE.

By Associated Press.

Wunsdorf, Germany, Jan. 11.—A reminder of the time when the former Emperor William attempted to pose as a leader in the Moslem world, remains here in the form of a Mohammedan mosque, which was erected by the Kaiser in the first years of the world war. Eight hundred orthodox adherents of the teachings of the Koran regularly worship in it.

It is the only mosque in Germany and William II built it for the benefit of the Cossack and Kirghis Tartar war prisoners who were captured while serving with the Russians and French. An internment camp surrounds it. Under the law of the Koran, the mosque must never be destroyed.

There has been considerable criticism of the former Emperor for having erected it and for the present government for maintaining it. It is the duty of the officials to declare it is their duty to give the interned Tartars an opportunity to worship according to the dictates of their faith. They point out that destruction of the mosque would be a serious offense in the eyes of all Mohammedans.

Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get out of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will find a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent.

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From Monday's Daily.

INDUSTRIAL CRISIS.

According to Samuel Gompers in an interview in San Antonio while en route to Mexico City, a grave industrial crisis impends in this country as a result of the nation-wide movement to reduce wages of workers to a pre-war basis.

The very fact that there is a nation-wide movement to reduce the wages in some lines is an indication of a general belief that wages are too high. Were it not believed by most employers that the wage scales they are paying were unwarranted, there could be no nation-wide, or even sectional, demand for their reduction.

It is when wages are out of proportion to other costs that the employers find it possible to secure the co-operation of the rest of the people in their demand for a general reduction. When the cost of living is reflected in low wages, or even in proportionate parity with other costs, the employers find it impossible to secure the support of any other class in their attempt to lower the wage scale.

Mr. Gompers says organized labor throughout the United States will not accept proposed wage cuts in getting back to a normal plane of living, and "will resist" such attempted reductions.

But if we are to get back to normal, then wages, like everything else, must also be normal. And no labor leader can say that \$9 to \$12 a day for an ordinary mechanic is "normal" when the prices of groceries, clothing, shoes and other necessities are normal.

It is true that some trades are even yet poorly paid, but they are the trades in which there is little organization and no backing by the rest of organized labor.

When a garment worker earns from \$50 to \$75 a week, is there any cause for surprise in a suit of clothing costing \$60? When the suit cost \$30, the wages were from \$20 to \$22 a week. And the amount of cloth in a suit is not enough to make the high cost of producing it depend upon the material alone.

Even in Mr. Gompers' own trade—cigar making—the present cost of a "real Havana" cigar made in Scranton from tobacco grown in Connecticut is more than twice what it used to be. It is true that the government tax is higher than before, but the wage scale is responsible for most of the advance in price.

A plasterer formerly earned—really earned—\$4 to \$4.50 a day of eight hours. Now he gets \$12. Can such a scale be called normal, provided other things are sold at a price anywhere near that obtaining in 1914?

When the plasterer got \$4.50 a day meat was selling here at 15c a pound. It is now 25c, and the disparity between the increase in cost of meat and the wage increase is too great to be considered normal.

The truth is that the people are beginning to find out that one of the reasons why knit underwear, for instance, costs so much is because the mill hands who formerly got \$14 a week are now getting \$36. And if cotton is to sell at less than 20c, the underwear should not cost from two to four times what it used to when cotton sold at 13c.

The consumer demands lower prices for all he buys. The lower prices cannot come until wages are lower. It is not necessary to quote the high prices paid automobile mechanics to explain the high cost of everything else, but in reality that affects every other article.

The wage earner is not necessarily a member of organized labor. There are a few millions of wage earners who today are not getting even 25 per cent increase over their salaries of 1914—the clerks and bookkeepers and stenographers and other office workers. But they do not belong to organized labor and therefore, in the opinion of some, they are not entitled to get any more.

Despite Mr. Gompers' belief, the

crisis is here, but it is not the organized labor that is going to win out. Rather the rest of us.

A TYPICAL ATTACK.

Among the "journalists" of Mexico, not all whom could be classed as "honorable men," except in Marc Antony's vein of irony, there are some who are so despicable as to have a following among only the lowest and basest elements of society.

These newspaper writers, to the shame and discomfiture of those who are really honest and honorable, base their work on lies and prejudice, using the public prints for the purpose of revenge or blackmail, or even to stir up strife between the two nations.

A writer (?) in El Demócrata of Mexico City, with reference to the fact that Luis N. Morones, on his recent visit to the border, was not granted a visa on his passport, has the following to say:

"Consul Peña, according to reports, did everything possible to secure for our labor delegates permission to cross the famous separatist bridge, but all his efforts were sterile. In the little United States towns bossism rules. Laredo, Texas, has always been distinguished in that sense. On the slightest excuse whoever stands before them is lynched. In Laredo some hundred shots were fired at Garcia Vigil, when he was a journalist working on El Progreso. His substitute, months afterwards, was jailed and he was fined five hundred dollars. Some days later they threw head first into the Rio Grande Leo Walker, the third editor of the same paper. And all because of having written news items or articles without importance which did not suit the sheriff, or an individual, permanent prosecuting attorney in Laredo, in detail, a grandson of Don Porfirio. The only persons who commands in this diminutive insula is a fellow named Bruni, an Italian millionaire. He, after the manner of the caiques, removes and appoints whom he likes. Another of the mandarins is Mr. Penn, editor of a daily paper."

And all this—why? Luis N. Morones, a labor leader of Mexico City, on two previous occasions reached the border on a visit to the United States without the proper visa on his passport, which should have been stamped thereon in Mexico City. Twice the American consular office in Nuevo Laredo let him by, informing him that he must thereafter get the proper visa, as the Nuevo Laredo consulate had no authority to grant him a visa which should be given in Mexico City.

The third time Mr. Morones came with his passport in the same condition. He wanted to cross to the American side, he said, to welcome Samuel Gompers and party and accompany them to Mexico City. In the meantime, Mr. Gompers did not arrive until eight days after Morones asked for permission to enter.

The consulate regrettably informed Morones that the instructions from Washington were to visa no passport that did not bear the proper visa from the district of residence of the bearer, and that he would have to get the proper visa from Mexico City, which he could easily have done within four days.

Mr. Morones wired to Mexico City, as well as to Washington to the Mexican embassy there, and did everything in his power to have the decision of the Nuevo Laredo consulate overruled; everything, that is, except what he should have done at first—secure the proper visa from the authorities in the Federal District.

It should be understood that the "bosses" of Laredo, Texas, had no more to do with the matter than did Messrs. Trotsky or Lenin. The admission or rejection of an alien does not rest with the city, county or state authorities. It is wholly for the federal authorities to decide.

The lack of a proper visa on a passport of an American seeking admission to Mexico would result in refusal to admit him. No one knows this better than the Mexican officials, and Consul Peña will bear witness to the correctness of this.

It would be interesting to know just what inspired the abusive article and who wrote it. Was it perhaps Leo Walker?

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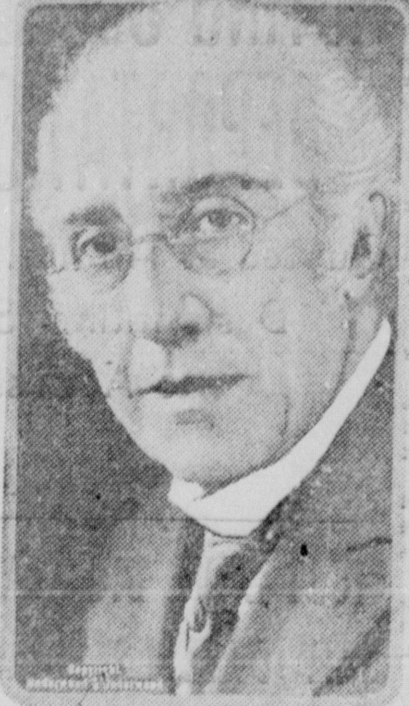
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John C. Freund of New York city, who, at the age of seventy-two, has thrown his vital personality into a nation-wide campaign to arouse public sentiment for the establishing of a ministry of fine arts in the President's cabinet and a national conservatory of music. As editor of Musical America and president of the musical alliance of the United States he has for years been waging war on the "musical fake" and pleading for the recognition of America's own musical talent.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

Today the electors will meet in the capitals of the various States to cast their votes for President and Vice President.

The new State legislatures are to convene today in Missouri, Oregon, Arizona, and several of the other States.

New governors to be inaugurated today will include Harry L. Davis of Ohio, Arthur B. Hyde of Missouri, Len Small of Illinois, and Thomas C. McRae of Arkansas.

A national conference on State and National parks, the first of its kind ever held in the United States, will meet at Des Moines today for a session of three days.

A conference of all organizations interested in the important traffic problems now awaiting solution has been called to assemble today in Washington, D. C.

The United States Railroad Labor Board will convene at Chicago today for a hearing of the problems in labor readjustments on roads throughout the country.

The United States as well as nearly all of the South and Central American republics are to be represented at the conference of the Pan-American Labor Federation, which is to meet today in the City of Mexico.

The soft coal conspiracy cases against 126 operators and miners of Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, and Western Pennsylvania is to be called for trial today in the Federal court at Indianapolis.

Governor Dorsey has designated the week beginning today for observance as "Industrial Georgia Week," to impress upon the public the splendid industrial possibilities existing in that State.

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TIMES WANT ADS.

***** Money Makers *****

POOR OLD "FRENCHY" IS DEAD WAS A PIONEER OF THIS CITY

Eugene David Came to Laredo Forty Years Ago and Was Well Known to All Old-Timers of the City.

Eugene David, familiarly known to the people of Laredo as "Frenchy," and for the past 15 years "tortol boss" and veterinarian for the city of Laredo, died at his home, 1316 Salinas Avenue, early this morning and his funeral takes place this afternoon at 5 o'clock from San Agustín church.

Eugene David was a native of France, aged 76 years, and came to the United States when a little boy and settled with his parents in New York. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the federal army and fought throughout the conflict. About forty years ago he came to Laredo and for a time was an army teamster, and later a hackdriver. He was also a practicing veterinarian and served the city in that capacity for 15 years, or up to the time he was forced to retire about a year ago on account of his health. He was married in Laredo about twenty years ago and is survived by two children, one son, Eugene David, Jr., and a younger child, a daughter. He was on the pension roll as a Union veteran and was also a member of the G. A. R.

CAPTURED WITH THE GOODS AND NOW HELD TO GRAND JURY

Two Men Arrested Saturday Night With Four Suitcases Filled With Tequila Face Serious Charge.

On Saturday night, back of the railroad shops on the Heights and not far from the Rio Grande front, police officers arrested Jesus Hernandez and Pantaleon Angeles, who had in their possession four suitcases, each containing one dozen quart bottles of tequila.

This morning Hernandez and Angeles were arraigned before Justice of the Peace E. A. Atlee on a charge of having intoxicating liquor in their possession and each were bound to the grand jury in the sum of \$300, which they failed to provide and were remanded to the county jail.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

Bessie Barriscale at Rialto.

Bessie Barriscale, the popular Robertson-Cole star, who achieved a dramatic success in "The Notorious Mrs. Sands," is said to have outdone herself in "Life's Twist," her latest special for Robertson-Cole which will be shown at the Rialto two days, beginning Wednesday. "Life's Twist," adapted to the screen by Harvey Gates from a magazine story by Thomas Edgewood, is a picture which carries a vital and dramatic theme. Miss Barriscale is seen in a dual role, one as Muriel Chester, a petted, pampered daughter of wealth, and in the other as Tina Pierce, a little tenement girl. The picture, it is said, shows conclusively that Miss Barriscale's art is not limited to the portrayal of society types. She is supported by an excellent cast including King Baggot and Walter McGrail.

At the Strand Tomorrow-Wednesday.

A few more comedies like "Up in Mary's Attic," which is sponsored by Fine Arts Pictures, and which is at the Strand Theatre tomorrow and Wednesday, will make producers sit up and take notice. They will look into the future and produce subjects which aren't burdened with sin and sex. They will appreciate that the world loves to laugh. They will acknowledge that as the reason why the public patronize the theatre. There is enough sorrow in every day life without reflecting it consistently on the screen. "Up in Mary's Attic" is primarily a farce-comedy with burlesque trimmings. But it can also be called a comic melodrama. Take a ridiculous scene or two away and it could be called a straight dramatic entertainment. So it should appeal to all classes. It is crammed full of rich incident, characterization, heart interest, human appeal, sympathy, rare comedy, beauty, and oh, the gayest galaxy of girls that ever adorned a picture, a garden of girls which might do credit to Ziegfeld's Midnight Frolic.

At the Royal Tomorrow-Wednesday.

The William Farnum company was given some thrilling moments in San Francisco during the making of the new William Fox picture "The Settlers," which will be shown at the Royal Theatre tomorrow-Wednesday. Mr. Farnum plays a detective from Lloyds of London and allows himself to be shanghaied as a common sailor. The first mate orders him to unfurl the sails, and when he is at the top of the mast, having an intense dislike for him, orders a sailor to loosen the yard. The result in making this scene was that Mr. Farnum, as Jim Landers, flapped about on the yard very much as a loose coat sleeve would flap out of a racing automobile. For a few minutes everyone held their breath. Of course Mr. Farnum knew his strength, but the watching crowd could not be sure. Then the captain's daughter, who was not in sympathy with the plans of the mate, shouted an order to square the yard, and Farnum climbed down to safety.

HAS CALLED A MASS MEETING TO SELECT THE DELEGATION

WHICH WILL ACCOMPANY MEXICAN GOVERNORS TO AUSTIN.

Governors of Coahuila, Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon and Chihuahua Will Go From Here to Texas Capital.

Laredo has been assigned the honor of organizing an escort to accompany the governors and their staffs of the states of Mexico bordering on Texas, and the special staff representatives from President Obregon of Mexico City to attend the inauguration of Governor Neff at Austin on January 15th. The Chamber of Commerce was given notice of this proposed plan and decided that the method of selecting the delegates should be through the medium of a mass meeting of all of our citizens called for that purpose.

As has been noted from press reports, there are no official invitations and every citizen is entitled to attend the inauguration. However, inasmuch as the distinguished officials from Mexico are to pass through Laredo, it has been suggested that a delegation be selected whose duty will be to act as an official escort. It is also being considered that Laredo has now a splendid opportunity to express its appreciation of these officials coming by way of Laredo by arranging for the round trip of the officials from Mexico, from Laredo to Austin, and return, complimentary. In other words, that the official delegation from Mexico proceed from Laredo to Austin and return as the guests of Laredo. The entertainment committee at Austin, representing the citizens of Austin will, of course, entertain the delegation from the time of arriving at Austin until the time of their departure.

The mass meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce office at 8.00 P. M. tomorrow night January 11th. It is important that every citizen interested in the progress and welfare of Laredo should attend this important meeting and give the benefit of his wise counsel and suggestions.

Governor Ignacio C. Enriquez of Chihuahua, has sent his regrets that he cannot attend Gov. Neff's inauguration in person, but will send a delegate to represent him. Governor C. Lopez de Lara of the State of Tamaulipas will be present in person, as also will Governor Porfirio G. Gonzalez with his personal staff of seven, representing the State of Nuevo Leon. Governor Luis Gutierrez of Saltillo will be present with a delegation of nine, representing the State of Coahuila. Three of the delegation will represent the State, three the municipality of Saltillo and three the Chamber of Commerce of Saltillo. Governor-elect Juan M. Garcia of Monterey has also accepted an invitation.

BODY FOUND ON RIVER BANK, GIVES EVIDENCE OF MURDER

Gerald R. Alexander, Colored Volunteer During War, Found Dead With Knife Wound Through Heart.

The dead body of Gerald R. Alexander, colored, aged 33 years and a native of Texarkana, Texas, was found on the bank of the Rio Grande near the Marulanda ranch, six miles below Laredo, Saturday, with a knife wound through his heart. Justice Slaughter held an inquest and returned a verdict that deceased came to his death by being killed with a knife.

In Alexander's coat pocket was found an honorable discharge from the United States Army, in which he volunteered in 1917 and served as a chauffeur until his discharge in 1918. A three-day trip pass, issued at Laredo, on January 5, was also found in the coat pocket. In his trousers there was \$21.22 in cash, a screw driver and one or two other articles. The motive for the killing evidently was not robbery and there is no clue. Written on the sand at the feet of Alexander was the word "Pedro." The body after being viewed, was buried near where it was found.

Notice to Owners Motor Vehicles.

This is to notify those concerned that I am now ready to issue 1921 licenses for motor vehicles.

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Tax Collector Webb County.
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YOUNG GERMAN IS RESCUED FROM CENTER OF THE RIVER

Fred Engel Tried to Wade Across the Rio Grande, But Got Halfway and Had to Call for Help.

Fred Engel, a young German aged 30 years, and whose home is in Fort Wayne, Ind., was rescued from the Rio Grande near the Derby farm last night about 10 o'clock while in a nude condition standing on a rock in the middle of the stream after his strength had failed him in his efforts to reach the Mexican side and he had called out for help. The message to the police station relating the man's predicament came by telephone from the Derby farm.

Engel says he reached Laredo and tried to get a two-day pass to go to the Mexican side, but he did not get it, so he and another fellow tried to wade across the stream. The other fellow, who had Fred Engel's suitcase and also his watch with him, made a success of his effort, but on reaching mid-stream Engel became numb with cold and his strength failed him, and luckily he found a rock on which he could stand and hold his head above water while he called for help. Police Officers Mendola and Gamboa rushed to the scene in a car and rescued Engel, who is now here without a supply of clothing and awaiting funds for which he has telegraphed.

IS DOING WONDERFUL WORK IN EXCAVATING FOR SEWERS

Trench-Digging Machine is Excavating With Great Progress and Not Doing Damage to Small Mains.

The progress being made by the big trench digging machine as it works westward on Matamoros St. in excavating for the sewerage mains is watched with interest by many people who stop about the scene of operations and note the work as it is being done.

Along Matamoros street there are numerous pipes and small mains from the water and gas companies forming connections with residences along the route, and these pipes, while in the path of the trench-digging machine, are not torn asunder and leaks caused, but instead the excavating is done so carefully and nicely about the place that patrons of the gas and water companies suffer little if any inconvenience from the work being done by the big trench digger. As the outfit nears the center of the city it will probably run into a great network of underground pipes, but no difficulty is apprehended in this regard.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of The First State Bank & Trust Company of Laredo, will be held in the banking rooms of said institution, on Tuesday, January 11th, 1921, at 3 p. m., for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it.

L. A. LAFON, Secretary.

Going! Going! Going!

The big tire sale at Valdez's No. 514 Convent Ave. 1-10-21

Christian Healing Mission.

The Christian Healing Mission will begin tonight at 7:30 o'clock at Christ Episcopal Church, corner Faragut street and Davis avenue. All are invited to attend, no matter what their church affiliations may be. Those who desire help by the laying on of hands had better present themselves at the church, giving their names, etc. Mr. Henry C. Blanford, who is the missionary and who has been doing this work like Mr. Hickson from boyhood, lays stress upon the Bible as his authority and faith. His watchword is: "The Master's Method is the 'Master Method.'" He will speak upon the Gospel and show how the Christian healing is in no wise set against the use of the good physician but co-operates with him. Mr. Blanford has worked in Alabama, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas, and is being urged to come back to those centers in which he has labored. He has just conducted a remarkable mission in St. Paul's church, San Antonio, as is Bishop Capers telegraphs. He is without doubt being used as an agent through which blessings have been flowing to those who believe.

LOCAL NEWS

—Why seek joy in the cellar when you can find it "UP IN MARY'S ATTIC" at the Strand Tuesday and Wednesday.

—If you want a skirt pleated go to the Paramount Tailoring Co. east side Jarvis Plaza. 1-7-21.
—Two carloads of bananas from Central Mexico comprised the importations from Mexico through the port of Laredo on Saturday afternoon. Most of this fruit will go to markets in the interior of the country.

—"UP IN MARY'S ATTIC" will relieve the stiffest callus from every funny bone. Strand tomorrow and Wednesday.

—The following marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since last report: Horace Burleson Armstrong and Miss Cleo Alice Winereich, Eustaquio Hinojosa and Miss Ester Rodriguez, Jose Maria Sanchez and Miss Luz Gonzalez.

—When Mary's washing flaunted from the top of the school flagpole, goodness gracious! How the professor and the girls did act! It all happened "UP IN MARY'S ATTIC." Strand tomorrow and Wednesday.

—The new traffic ordinance is now in full force and effect and all violators will be dealt with according to the provisions of that measure. It would be well for each and every automobile owner in Laredo to get a copy of the ordinance, peruse it carefully, digest its provisions and avoid a lot of trouble and embarrassment. —Capers and cuties, babies and beauties! The treat of the season—"UP IN MARY'S ATTIC." Strand tomorrow and Wednesday.

—District court is still in session here and will be kept busy this week attending to some civil cases that are set for trial.

LARGE NUMBER OF LABORERS CONTINUE TO PASS THROUGH

Exodus of Mexican Laborers From This Country Back to Mexico Continues; Usual Rush Today.

Mexican laborers, comprising men, women and children, are still passing through Laredo daily in large numbers, coming from all sections of Texas and other states en route to their old homes in Mexico to spend a short time, or until the cold season is past, when they will return to this country to get employment of an unskilled kind.

As usual on Monday morning, there was a long line of these laborers on the sidewalk of the Mexican consulate this morning awaiting their turn to get into the place and have their passports vised. On the other hand there are very few laborers coming into this country from Mexico at this time.

To the Public.

There are no arguments against saying what you have got. High cost may offer good argument for the delaying the purchase of a suit of clothes, but it is poor policy on part of any one, who neglect their teeth. Dr. T. T. Cater, the New System Dentist in Wilcox Bldg., S. W. Corner of Market Plaza, has many new and well proven methods that he has learned in twenty years of practice. These you will learn if you give him a chance as many are doing to prove his statements. Casted and seamless bridge work, also porcelain bridge work with no gold showing. His motto is honest work at honest prices. He has come to stay and all work guaranteed for twenty years. When others fail come to Cater. (Adv.)

CAPT HERRING APPOINTED TO A HIGH STATE POSITION

Present United States Marshal of This District Named to Be the Next State Prison Commissioner.

According to announcement given out from Austin of appointments made by Governor-elect, Pat M. Neff for state positions during the ensuing two years, Captain J. A. Herring, the present United States marshal of the Southern District of Texas, has been named by the new governor as state prison commissioner under his administration.

Captain Herring being a Democrat and having served as United States marshal of this district under President Woodrow Wilson, will be relieved of that office by the appointment of some Republican to the place, and it is very probable that he will resign his present position at once in order to begin his duties as state prison commissioner when the appointment becomes effective, which will be shortly after Governor Neff assumes office next week.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN,
A. J. NEFF, Secretary.
President. 1-5-21.

JOPLIN RESIDENT GAINS 25 POUNDS

"MY STRENGTH IS SO FINE I
NEVER GET TIRED," SAYS
THOMPSON — GIVES
TANLAC CREDIT.

"All my friends are congratulating me on my improvement," said S. L. Thompson, 1310 New Hampshire Ave., Joplin, Mo., in relating his experience with Tanlac.

"I suffered from a general breakdown, had no appetite, was very nervous and could not rest at night. The slightest noise would wake me and I could not get back to sleep. After eating I would have heartburn and suffer great distress. I felt dizzy and would have severe pains through my shoulders.

"Having heard what a fine medicine Tanlac is I began taking it. The first bottle restored my appetite and now I am in fine shape. I eat anything I want and have no trouble afterward. My nerves are as steady as can be and sleep is sound and restful. I have gained twenty-five pounds and was never in better health in my life. Work is a pleasure to me now, and my strength is so fine I never get tired. Seeing what Tanlac was doing for me, my wife commenced taking it and it has helped her just as it did me."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by City Drug Store, and all leading druggists.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 10.

- 1769—Marshall Ney, who was shot for high treason for joining Napoleon on his return from Elba, born in Germany. Executed at Paris, Dec. 7, 1815.
- 1822—Theodore L. Cuyler, celebrated preacher and writer on religious topics, born at Aurora, N. Y. Died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 25, 1909.
- 1840—Number of letters posted in England increased fourfold in one day, following the inauguration of uniform penny postage.
- 1847—The Americans regained Los Angeles from the Mexicans.
- 1855—Mary Russell Mitford, distinguished English authoress, died. Born Dec. 16, 1786.
- 1871—The French Government appealed to foreign powers because of the bombardment of Paris.
- 1900—First through train from Cairo arrived at Khartoum.
- 1919—Luxembourg was proclaimed a republic.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 10.

When the first conference on State and National parks meets at Des Moines today a leading participant in the proceedings will be Stephen T. Mather, who has been director of the United States National Park Service since 1917. Mr. Mather is a native of San Francisco, though a descendant of the famous Mather family of early colonial Massachusetts and Connecticut. He was graduated from the University of California in 1887 and went into journalism. Later he entered the active business world, and became an official in a borax producing company with headquarters in California. Owing to his intelligent and ardent interest in the national parks of California, he was enlisted by the Secretary of the Interior in the larger work of conserving the interests of the entire park system, and he has given himself and his wealth unreservedly to this work, with general supervisory powers.

MOTHERS, DO THIS—

When the Children Cough,
Rub Musterole on Throats
and Chests

No telling how soon the symptoms may develop into croup, or worse. And then's when you're glad you have a jar in the house, ready for instant use. It is the remedy for adults, too. Relieves sore throat, bronchitis, tonsillitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, chilblains, frosted feet and colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia).

As first aid and a certain remedy, Musterole is excellent. Thousands of mothers know it. You should keep a jar in the house, ready for instant use.

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Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

HAVE THEIR DAY, AND PASS

Fashions in Crops Change, Only the Food Staples Having Permanent Place in Agriculture.

Fashions in harvests are as liable to change as are other fashions. Perhaps some new invention does away with the need of a crop, and the demand ceasing, the crop is no longer grown. This was the case with teasels, which were once largely grown in parts of England. They were used for the purpose of dressing woolen goods. By 1909 metal carding machinery had to a great extent taken the place of these, and for the last few years they have not been cultivated. The saffron crocus, which, like the wool of the ancient Britons, was used by the Greeks and Romans for the purpose of making a dye, was a fashionable crop in England over a hundred years ago. It was used for medicinal purposes as well as for cookery, and the price realized varied between \$5 and \$7 a pound. The name Saffron Walden is the only memorial of this crop. Sugar beet is a crop which is more likely to become more popular in the future. It was hardly known in the old country until 1910, when about 700 acres were grown; it did not go out of fashion until war made it necessary to grow other things.

USE VARIOUS FORMS OF BEDS

Different Peoples Have Different Ideas of Comfort—English and Americans the Most Luxurious.

The English and Americans are the most luxurious races in the world as regards sleeping comforts, and after them the French. Professional travelers of these nations who have occasion to penetrate into Europe generally take their beds with them. The Chinese and Japanese complain that our mattresses are too soft for comfort. The Chinese use low bedsteads, often elaborately carved, and supporting only mats, while the Japanese use a matting couch and wooden neck rest instead of a pillow. A peculiarity of the German bed is its shortness; besides that, it frequently consists in part of a large down pillow or upper mattress, which spreads over the sleeper and usually answers the purpose of all the other ordinary bed clothing. The Italian bed is much bigger than ours, especially in the north of Italy. But millions of people in Europe, especially in Russia, have never slept in a bed in their lives, being content with a mat or a rug on the floor.

TREES AND HONEY.

The forest holds a place of twofold importance in the honey industry, writes Hu Maxwell in the American Forestry Magazine. First, the bloom of trees constitutes a valuable pasture whence bees collect honey; and second, the wood derived from the forest supplies most of the material of which hives, frames, stands, boxes, houses and other appurtenances are made. This holds true of few other industries, for it is unusual that a tree supplies a product and also supplies the receptacle in which the product is placed for storage or for shipment. It is proper that wood be given due credit for the contribution it makes in both of these lines.

DUCKS THAT DO NOT QUACK.

No longer will the quacking of the backyard poultry raiser's ducks call down on his head the wrath of his neighborhood, for ducks without a quack are being introduced in the United States, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. This comparatively new breed of ducks is known as the Muscovy, and is a native of Russia. They make good mothers, are splendid layers, and fatten early for the market, many of the fowls weighing seven pounds dressed when three months old.

MARITAL COMPROMISE.

"So the Botsworths are divorced?" "Yes."

"What were the terms of settlement?"

"She gets \$10,000 a year and he gets the liquor."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

PLENTY OF IT.

"So you want a position as floor-walker. What experience have you had?"

"We have a three-months-old baby that has never slept through a whole night since it was born."



SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.

There will be a business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society at the Methodist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and installation of officers for the new year.

Mrs. A. Huberich will entertain the Nullo Club at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday.

There will be a meeting of the Sunbeam Band at the Baptist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Junior Auxiliary at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, under the direction of Mrs. C. W. Cook.

There will be a meeting of the Tuesday Music and Literary Club at Elks Hall at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, with Mrs. D. Z. Windrow as leader.

General Mention.

Albert J. Biggio, secretary-treasurer of the David Hardie Seed Co. of Dallas, is among the visitors in the city, coming here on a visit to his mother, Mrs. G. Biggio; sister, Mrs. R. K. Mims, and brother, C. C. Biggio.

Greetings have been received from Miss Anita Sharkey from Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, where she is enjoying a most delightful visit with Lieut. and Mrs. Frederick Enckhausen, at Fort Brady.

Mrs. J. W. Mussett is spending a few days with her son, Thomas Mussett, near Callahan.

Henry C. Blandford arrived in Laredo this morning and will begin his healing mission at Christ Church this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. N. A. Swink left this morning for Tampico, Mexico, where he has gone to accept a position with an oil company.

Mrs. Fannie Smith and Miss Mary Nye of Littleton, Mass., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Nye of North Laredo for the past several weeks, left yesterday for California, where they will spend the rest of the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Nye have returned from Dilley, where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Announcement.

The Tuesday Music and Literary Club will meet at Elks Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The subject will be "Masters of Violin" and the roll call will be famous violinists of the past. Review questions will also be given. Mrs. D. Z. Windrow will be leader for the afternoon.

WON'T GIVE INCREASE.

By Associated Press.

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 6.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—The Hawaiian Planters' Association at a recent meeting decided not to grant the demands of plantation laborers for an increase in the basic wage scale from \$30 to \$40 a month under the present conditions of the sugar market. Filipino laborers recently submitted to the association a demand for a straight daily wage of \$2.50 without a bonus.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

The Slavonic alphabet contains 42 letters.

Asia occupies a third of all the land of the earth's surface.

Seventy years ago Pennsylvania led the States in the production of wheat.

Egypt was the first country to have a military organization, about 1620 B. C.

The year 1921 will see for eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon.

The first agricultural exhibition in the United States was held at Georgetown, D. C., in 1810.

The recreated State of Poland consists of 120,000 square miles, with a population of 21,000,000.

The blossom of the wattle, a tree of the gum family, has been adopted as Australia's national flower.

Ching-Nong, a Chinaman, is reported to have taught the method of making bread from wheat nearly four thousand years ago.

The largest scientific society in the world is the American Chemical Society, which has between 7,000 and 8,000 members.

The saltiest sea-water is found near the Equator. This is due to the greater evaporation, which takes the water but leaves the salt.

Twelve officers hold the rank of Field Marshal in the British Army, the only non-British holders being the Emperor of Japan and Marshal Foch.

The ant, declared by naturalists to be the most intelligent of all creatures except man, is found in all parts of the world except the polar regions.

Two vessels arriving recently at Tacoma from North Pacific waters reported having caught seventy whales each. The largest measured 85 feet in length.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 10.—Any attempt by Great Britain to build a big navy in competition with the United States would be "absolutely disastrous," says some of the leading weekly periodicals of London, in commenting on the naval estimates for the current year. As presented in the House of Commons these estimates were fixed at \$200,725,000.

The "Spectator" condemns the post-war recrudescence of "navalism" under the caption "The Naval Skin Game." "Against whom should we be building?" it asks. "Either against America or Japan. We should not be building against both for an alliance between them against Great Britain is inconceivable."

"We want to say most emphatically that in our opinion a competition with America would be absolutely disastrous. We hope the nation will never consent to it."

Any suggestion of a "two keels to one" naval policy as directed against the United States the "Spectator" dismisses as ludicrous, and it underscores the phrase: "We must not form our policy on the possibility of a war with America."

"If ever we joined with Japan against America, we should have sounded the knell of the British Empire," the paper concludes.

The "Nation," which brands big navalism as sheer lunacy, also strongly opposes naval competition with the United States which it says will have a navy superior to the British in 1924.

"We cannot successfully enter on a shipbuilding competition with America which has twice our population and four times our resources," this paper says and it continues:

"Our navalists have put another nail in the coffin of the League of Nations. Unless this policy is repudiated at once, it will do more than anything else to keep America out of the League, to impel her to a political and economic isolation, developing her full powers of military and naval defense, drawing the South American states into Pan Americanism, fatal to the larger internationalism, and depriving the broken countries of Europe of the economic and financial aid that they badly need, and that only the trade and credit of America can supply. That way lies neither peace, nor economic recovery, nor financial salvation."

The "Outlook," which apologizes for "inflicting on the reader the painful subject of an Anglo-American war which is rightly not considered thinkable by most of us," considers that under existing conditions of mine and submarine warfare, the British fleet, were it twice as big as it is, could not venture into American waters, nor could the Americans, with three the number of dreadnaughts they possess, venture to approach the British coasts.

Incidentally, the "Saturday Review" puts in a strong plea for the sale of the West Indies by Britain to the United States, in order to reduce British indebtedness to America, without sacrificing British trade interests.

Important Onion-Spinach Growers Meeting Called.

The senate hearings on the emergency tariff bill which has the important onion and long staple cotton crops listed for a protective tariff duty, indicate that very strenuous efforts must be made in order to retain the tariffs as scheduled in the house bill. For that reason a number of growers from Laredo and other districts have requested that there be a meeting at Laredo on Tuesday, January 11th, at 4:00 P. M. at the office of the Chamber of Commerce. County Agent Mally has also been requested by the spinach growers to make special arrangements with the U. S. Bureau of Markets for a market news service on spinach. This matter will also be discussed and it is important that all onion and spinach growers do not fail to attend the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce at 4:00 P. M. Tuesday evening January 11th.

FOR SKIN TORTURES

Zemo, the Clean, Antiseptic Liquid, Just What You Need. Is Not Greasy

Don't worry about eczema or other skin troubles. You can have a clear, healthy skin by using Zemo. Obtained at any drug store for 35c, or extra large bottle for \$1.00.

Zemo generally removes pimples, blackheads, blotches, eczema and ringworm and makes the skin clear and healthy. Zemo is a clean, penetrating, antiseptic liquid, neither sticky nor greasy and stains nothing. It is easily applied and costs a mere trifle for each application. It is always dependable.

The E. W. Rose Co., Cleveland, O.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This is a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

"TO CUTE TO SHOOT," SAID COLEMAN BUT GIRL CARRIED OUT HER THREAT AND SHOT

Eighteen-Year Old Girl Said Man Took Her to Park and Grabbed Her, Although She Warned Him What Would Happen If He Did Not Turn Her Loose, According to Detectives in Dallas.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 10.—William J. Coleman, the restaurant proprietor whose death has been a mystery for ten days, lost his life at the hands of a girl he believed "too cute to shoot," according to detectives here. Miss Louise Meier, aged 18, in jail here is said by the officers to have made a statement that Coleman took her to a suburban park and grabbed her. The girl alleged she told Coleman to turn her loose or she would shoot him. The man is alleged to have replied that she was "too cute to shoot." Miss Meier then drew a pistol and shot him, according to her statement.

CARLTON'S CHARGES VERY SENSATIONAL

CLAIMS STATE DEPARTMENT
THREATENING CUBA TO
PREVENT THE CABLE
LANDING THERE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Charges that the state department is "making threats against the Cuban government" to prevent the issuance of permits for the Western Union cable landing on the island were made before the senate committee today by Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union. Mr. Carlton said the department was "pursuing to the point of persecution" the differences with the company over the attempt to land a cable from Barbadoes which he said would establish a new line of communication with South America.

WELL REPRESENTED.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 10.—Pennsylvania, in many previous inaugurations, will be well represented at the induction of President Harding on March 4. Arrangements for the state's participation are already under way. A brigade of three regiments of infantry, a squadron of cavalry, a battalion of artillery and the entire headquarters staff of the Pennsylvania national guard will be in the inaugural parade. Political organizations of the state have also taken up the question of sending marching clubs.

HELIUM GAS PLANT.

By Associated Press.

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 10.—Finishing touches are being put on the federal government's \$500,000 helium gas plant six miles north of Fort Worth, and operations on a large scale are expected to begin soon.

This announcement is made by Lieutenant Griffin, who is in charge, as the representative of the navy department. The last of the machinery was shipped to Fort Worth before the first of the year.

Established in 1917 at a cost of \$500,000, the plant has been an experiment station thus far. But the work of the gas and its economy for use by the navy and army balloons have been proved to the satisfaction of military experts.

In addition to the plant near Fort Worth, the government also has constructed a private pipe line from Petrolia which brings natural gas from the Lone Star Company's wells right into the plant. After the argon gas, from which helium is obtained, have been extracted, the gas is returned to the mains and burned by Fort Worth and other consumers in northern Texas.

The argon or helium plant was erected in great secrecy, a guard of soldiers being constantly maintained around it until after the armistice. During war days, admission was denied to the public and only picked workmen were employed.

The experiments at the station had been so successful before the armistice that it was predicted the use of the argon gas would speedily terminate the conflict. However, no opportunity was ever given of testing it out in battle.

The gas is non-inflammable and non-combustible. Its value was discovered before the war but the process of extracting it was then too costly to make the gas practical. Government agents have since perfected an economical method.

The gas is shipped from Fort Worth to Galveston and New Orleans in cylinders and loaded there aboard navy department vessels for transportation to balloon fields.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

Under a new law to come into effect in Ontario next September, brides under 16 years of age will have to return to school.

New Orleans has a 15-year-old girl artist, Miss Edna-Merle Scheppegrell, who is making a success as an interior decorator.

Mrs. John Houk, of Lompoc, Calif., is an expert trapper and makes a good living capturing animals on which bounties are paid.

By Associated Press.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 10.—A general investigation of the lumber industry, and more particularly the yellow pine industry in the South, is being conducted by the department of justice to determine whether there have been violations of the Sherman antitrust act. This became known today after the federal trade commission had transmitted to congress a copy of the report of activities of organizations of lumber manufacturers prepared at the request of the department of justice.

SEARCH FOR PLANE SAID TO BE BURNED

PASSED OVER MISSISSIPPI RIVER
ON 3,000 MILE JOURNEY
FROM CINCINNATI
SUNDAY.

By Associated Press.

Tiptonville, Tenn., Jan. 10.—Search is being made along the Mississippi river today for trace of a seaplane in which Captain George Simpson, pilot, and Carl Fisher, mechanic, en route from Cincinnati on a 3,000 mile trip with films of a moving picture, are reported to have fallen in the river when the plane caught fire near here yesterday.

FARMERS THREATEN TO BURN THE TOWN

MILITIA PATROL STREETS TO
PREVENT LYNCHING OF TWO
MEN CHARGED WITH
ARSON.

By Associated Press.

Kingsland, Ark., Jan. 10.—Kingsland is quiet and festering a much of tense excitement during which members of the Blue Bird machine gun company of the National Guard patrolled the streets and cutting parts of the town to prevent the threatened lynching of two men accused of arson, a 1-1 threatened burning of the town by farmers opposing a road being built near the town. Shots were fired into the town during the night from the darkness, but no casualties were inflicted.

WILLIS NOW SENATOR.

By Associated Press.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 10.—The appointment of former Governor Frank Willis of Delaware as United States senator to fill the unexpired term of President-elect Harding was the first official act of Governor Harry Davis following his inauguration.

CARE FOR CHILDREN.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 10.—Poland's new constitution probably will contain a provision for care of children by the state which will make it unique, in opinion of officials here who have seen the draft. The article which now is before the Polish Diet reads: "Each child deprived of parental care, or who is neglected morally or materially, has the right to secure care and aid from the state. The sphere of the state's duties in this capacity will be defined separately by laws, which will foresee as well the protection of mothers who may require aid, before the birth of the child and the protection of the child in infancy."

As far as known here no constitution in the world includes such a provision.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 10.—With the object of promoting closer friendly intercourse between British and American women, a women's committee of the English Speaking Union has been formed under the presidency of Viscountess Bryce, wife of the one-time Ambassador to the United States.

Arrangements are being made to provide hospitality and entertainment for American women visiting England, and to co-operate with corresponding committees in the United States in linking up women's various spheres of activity on both sides of the Atlantic.

The president for the United States of the English Speaking Union is William H. Taft. The new women's committee has among its members Lady Violet Astor, Viscountess Gladstone, the Countess of Kerry, the Countess of Reading, and a host of other women prominent in London society.

Worth Considering.

The question is not so much how you contract a cold, but how to get rid of it with the least loss of time and inconvenience. If you will consider the experience of others under similar circumstances, who have been most successful in checking their colds, in their beginning, you will secure a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without delay, and use it faithfully. There are many families who have used this preparation successfully for years and hold it in high esteem. It is excellent.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

JANUARY 10.

Peace Treaty ratifications at Paris were exchanged, the American envoy being absent.

TIMES WANT ADS.

***** Money Makers *****

From Tuesday's Daily.

KILLING THE GOOSE.

We have been warned from time immemorial not to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs, but that is just what some of the fisheries along our eastern coast appear to have been doing.

There is a fish which used to swarm in uncountable numbers along that coast, called the menhaden. It was useless for food, and for many years there was no demand for it, except to use as fertilizer. It was so bony that no animal would eat it, but its oil content was the cause of it being captured in such quantities that the great schools have been annihilated.

But many species of edible fish lived on menhaden, chasing the schools from mid ocean clear to the coast, and when the fertilizer and oil factories were catching menhaden, the other fishermen were following them up and catching large quantities of valuable food fishes.

With the practical disappearance from our coasts of the menhaden, the edible fish have also disappeared, and it is no longer possible to find great schools of blue fish and other edible varieties, as they have followed the menhaden to deep water.

So in a certain sense the owners of the menhaden oil factories and fertilizer plants are responsible for the coming shortage of edible fish, and it is now proposed to establish federal control of the seacoast with regard to fisheries, in order that the people of the entire country may not suffer from this shortage of a valuable food product.

Mackerel, herring and other food fishes which have been caught in great quantities in the past are now becoming scarce, owing to the lack of fish like the menhaden which serve as bait to attract them within our territorial waters. The fishermen have to go to greater distances to secure a catch, and naturally this makes our food fish cost more.

A historian once said that the herring were the cause of more wars than any other one cause. They migrated from one shore to another, and the resulting quarrels between the fishermen of various countries who pursued the herring schools led to wars between nations.

We eat less fish per capita than any nation of Europe, and even less than some inland nations, although our coast line on either ocean is greater than the combined coast line of many countries.

We have expert fishermen, bold and dauntless, who face the perils of the sea to bring us this rich food from Nature's storehouse, but we eat a small percentage of fish, as compared with our other foods.

The prospect is that we shall eat less fish in the future, or else pay more for what we do eat. For the farther the fishermen have to go to secure a catch, the more the expense of the voyage and the less profit at prevailing prices.

Fishermen from our Gulf ports go long distances to bring us the red snapper which figures so prominently on the bill of fare in many of our restaurants. The fishermen of Gloucester spend a great part of the summer season in catching the cod which we know in almost every form except that of the fresh fish.

In the Gulf we have herring and mackerel, besides many other fish which have but a local fame because of the difficulty of transport. The sea trout, the jewfish, the grouper and others rarely get far away from the fishing port, because of the cost of icing and handling.

But most of us pay good prices for such staple fish as the herring and mackerel, as well as the whitefish of the lakes and the bluefish of the Atlantic, because we know them and the fishermen have spent a lifetime in catering to our tastes.

The fish that swim the sea should be protected within our three-mile limit by the federal government, so that conflicting statutes and regulations of the coastal states may not help in ruining the industry. Fish should play a more important part in our diet, the doctors tell us, and we should get them as cheaply as possible.

A WEAK GOVERNMENT.

Any government that permits those who plan to overthrow it to work openly and to make no secret of their plans meanwhile doing nothing to prevent the consummation of those plans, is weak.

The present German government is beset on all sides by enemies. The reactionaries openly declare that within a few months they will re-establish the monarchy. The extreme socialists deny that the present government has any right to power, because they allege it has repudiated the doctrines on which it was elected to power.

But the Reds, the radicals who base their idea of government on violence and force, are the worst enemies of the present Germany. They are working so openly that every chief among them is known to the German police, and yet nothing is done to offset their propaganda.

They have lists of the prominent Germans who are to be murdered as the first act of the uprising, and they boast in public of what they intend to do.

One of the most violent among them—who is significantly said to be

"of Slavic appearance"—says that thousands of Germans must be lined up and shot "to show that we mean business." Not because of anything these proposed victims have done or left undone; not because they are a menace to the present government or would be a danger to the proposed government; just for an object lesson!

It is conceivable that a strong government would permit such open plotting, such a conspiracy against the welfare of the people? It is not the menace to the members of the government that is important; it is the danger to all the people of Germany that should cause the arrest of these conspirators.

Meanwhile, the government is using this menace against peace and order as an argument for not proceeding more rapidly with disarmament. And in a certain sense, disarmament should not be carried to the extent of crippling Germany and making her an easy prey to the radicals at home and the Bolsheviks on her borders. If Germany is to pay the indemnities that she promised to pay, the people must be protected against assault from without and treachery from within.

One thing that has caused the world to feel little sympathy for defeated Germany is the doleful whine that has been sent up every time a provision of the peace treaty was considered. And the radicals are beginning to believe that some of the professions of inability to perform sworn obligations were an indication of weakness along other lines.

The people of Germany are no worse off in any way than any of their neighbors. Indeed, in most material ways they are better off. They have plenty of raw material, they have the proceeds of the deliberate robberies intended to cripple their industrial competitors, they have an abundance of money and none of their factories have been dismantled, with the exception of those devoted to the manufacture of war munitions.

If the government really desires the good of the German people, it will set about the task of meeting its obligations, clearing out the nests of radicals who menace the future of the country and generally comporting itself as a republican government should.

The spectacle of soviet Russia should be sufficient indication to the people of Germany as to the real meaning of radical rule. The Frankenstein the German imperial government created in order to destroy Russia is now menacing its creator. But the people of Germany usually are credited with at least average intelligence, and they ought to recognize the danger before it is too late.

Every radical who professes to carry a list of men whom he is to kill when the time comes should be summarily dealt with. It would be better for a few of these red vermin to die than to see the streets of Berlin run red with innocent blood. And that is the program of the German radicals; of that there can be no doubt.

SAN FRANCISCO EXCURSION PARTY REACHES HERE TODAY

While in Laredo for Hour or More They Will Be Guests of Chamber of Commerce on Automobile Ride.

A delegation of San Francisco trade excursionists, numbering about 100 persons, traveling in four Pullmans, with diner, baggage and observation cars, will arrive here this afternoon on the regular train en route to Mexico City and other portions of the Mexican republic.

The excursionists will remain in Laredo for an hour or more and the Laredo Chamber of Commerce has arranged to meet them at the station here with automobiles for a sight-seeing trip over the city and also a ride through the vast onion fields north of the city. The San Francisco delegation will cross to the Mexican side shortly after six o'clock this evening and leave for Mexico City on a special train from Nuevo Laredo soon afterwards.

Notice to Owners Motor Vehicles. This is to notify those concerned that I am now ready to issue 1921 licenses for motor vehicles.

H. LIGARDE,
Tax Collector Webb County.
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Banks Show Prosperity of Laredo.

In Saturday's issue of The Times appeared the reports of the condition of the First State Bank & Trust Co. and the Merchants State Bank & Trust Co. and on yesterday there appeared the reports of the Laredo National Bank and the Milmo National Bank, showing the condition of these four institutions at the close of business on December 29. Each and every bank makes a showing that is both a credit to them and the city of Laredo and evidences the general prosperity that pervades the community at this time.

Attention Elks!

There will be a regular meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 1018, B. P. O. Elks, this evening at 8:00.

A. B. MULLER,
Secretary.

PARK CONFERENCE.

By Associated Press.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 11.—For the first time since park creation became a public question, leaders in the movement to preserve America's beauty spots as centers of recreation, health and education began to gather today for a National Conference. Virtually every state will have representatives present when Governor W. L. Harding welcomes them to Iowa at the opening session tomorrow morning. The federal government will be represented by Stephen T. Mather, Director of the National Park Service, who will respond to Governor Harding's greeting.

The park conference will continue for three days, the speakers being men and women prominent in conservation work. They plan to establish a permanent organization to forward the work of establishing parks in every state. The form of a law to create and finance state parks commissions removed entirely from partisan influence probably will be outlined for recommendation to a score of states that have no such statute.

Dr. L. H. Pammel, chairman of the Iowa Board of Conservation, will make the principal address at the opening session tomorrow. The conference was summoned to meet in Des Moines at the suggestion of Secretary Payne of the Department of the Interior, because of Iowa's achievements in the field of park creation and development. Dr. Pammel's talk, detailing the Iowa park law and how its board of conservation has operated, is expected to give the "cue" to the entire proceedings.

At the afternoon session tomorrow the speakers will include Jens Jensen of Chicago, president of "The Friends of Our Native Landscape," Harry N. Burhans, of Denver, president of the American Travel Development Association, whose address will tell of the value of motor tourist camps to a community; George Bird Grinnell of New York, and others who have been fighting what they term "commercialization of the National Parks by water power and irrigation interests."

An illustrated nature program, such as is given in Yosemite National Park, will occupy Monday evening's meeting, with Dr. H. C. Bryant and Dr. L. H. Miller of the University of California as speakers.

One of the proposals to be put before the Conference will be the establishment of a "national conservation day" to be devoted annually to instilling a love of country in children and teaching all how to use America's natural resources without abusing them.

WORK IS PROGRESSING FAST AND GREAT ACTIVITY SHOWN

Construction Work on New and Hand-some International Footbridge Going Ahead Rapidly as Possible.

Work goes right ahead on the preliminary construction on the new international footbridge and some great activity can be witnessed in that vicinity. The high tower which has been constructed to be used for hoisting purposes can be seen for quite a distance, and about this place on the American side workmen are kept busy on other construction work.

Work on the old piers in the river bed has progressed fast while the river is at low tide and these piers have been extended and reinforced and the work is still in progress. On the Mexican side of the bridge there is also considerable activity in preparations for starting the actual construction work from that side and within the next few weeks work on an extensive scale will be in full swing and the superstructure will be in course of construction.

ENFORCING THE ORDINANCE RELATING TO AUTOMOBILES

New Provision Covers Everything Necessary to Prevent Congestion and Safeguard Auto Traffic.

The ordinance passed by the city council last month and duly published the required length of time in order to give adequate notice to all concerned, is now in full force and effect in Laredo, and all violators of its provisions make themselves susceptible to arrest and fine.

Those who have no copy of this ordinance can secure same by applying at the city hall, and it behooves every automobile owner and chauffeur to get acquainted with the provisions thereof and save themselves much trouble.

GIVES UP AUTO.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Jan. 11.—Charles Nungesser, the French "ace," who ranked second to Fonck as a successful military aviator during the war and who has been prominent at serial meetings since the armistice, has decided to give up driving his automobile, saying it is too dangerous and expensive.

Nungesser was racing through Neuilly recently when he knocked down and killed a cyclist as a result of which the court ordered him to pay the widow of his victim 30,000 francs for damages.

"I think I'll stick to my airplane hereafter," he told the judge. "If health, keep your bowels regular by anything breaks there I'll be the only one to suffer!"

COMMISSIONERS COURT IS IN SESSION AT COURTHOUSE

Routine Business and Special Road Matters Given Attention at Opening Session on Yesterday.

The regular monthly term of the commissioners court of Webb county was convened at the courthouse in this city yesterday afternoon by County Judge A. Winslow, with Commissioners Puig, Martin, Johnson and Davis and County Clerk Rodriguez in attendance.

Besides attending to some routine business, the court examined and approved highway bills payable to the amount of about \$20,000 and vouchers were issued in payment for same. The session of the court will continue for the greater part of the present week.

GO NO FARTHER

The Evidence Is at Your Door.

Laredo proof is what you want and the statement of this highly respected resident will banish all doubt:

E. T. Lestariette, 1818 Sta. Maria Ave., Laredo, says: "Several years ago I was annoyed by the irregular action of my kidneys, and my back ached. When I stooped over, I could hardly raise up again, and I had dizzy spells and black specks before my eyes. My kidneys didn't act right and I had to get up often at night to pass the secretions, which were highly colored and burned. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills through a friend and decided to try them. Doan's relieved me from the start, and after taking two boxes, my back was strong and my kidneys acted as regularly as ever."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Lestariette had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

AT LAREDO "MOVIES."

"The Scuttlers" at the Royal.

William Farnum, the noted Fox star, will be seen at the Royal Theatre, beginning today in a sea story called "The Scuttlers" from the pen of Clyde C. Westover. It is said to be a picture with many thrilling incidents and much striking photography. During the story Farnum has a terrific battle in the hold of the sinking ship, and another later while marooned on a desert island. The cast with Mr. Farnum includes Miss Jackie Saunders, Herschel Mayall, G. Raymond Nye, Arthur Millett, Harry Spangler, Manuel Ojeda, Earle Crane, "Kewpie" Morgan, Claire Deloraz and Al Fremont. Miss Saunders who is "the" girl of the picture, is said to be especially good in the scenes where the ship is sinking.

"Life's Twist" at the Rialto.

"Life's Twist," the Robertson-Cole Special which will be seen at the Rialto Theatre, starting today for a run of two days, has been called Bessie Barriscale's best picture. It deals with the adventures in love of two women, one the pampered daughter of fortune, the other the undeveloped, rugged product of a great city's squalor. Both types, extreme in contrast, are interpreted by Miss Barriscale in masterly fashion, according to the reviewers. The photo-play was directed by William Christy Cabanne. It was adapted to the screen by Harvey Gates from the magazine story by Thomas Edgewood, Walter McGrath as leading man, King Baggett, Truly Shattock, Marcia Manon, are seen to decided advantage.

"Up in Mary's Attic" at Strand.

Mere man has often wondered what transpired behind the walls of girls' seminaries, and it was upon this phase of life that the story for "Up in Mary's Attic," produced by Fine Arts Pictures, Inc., was built. This hilarious comedy is the feature on the program of the Strand Theatre for two days beginning today. Girls! girls! Bewitching beauties, everyone of them, compose the background for one of the most clever and original stories yet to reach the screen. In this big comedy production, it features those stars of comedy, Eva Novak and Harry Gibson, each of whom has made a reputation in the comedy field. The girls in "Up in Mary's Attic" will make the Tired Business Man sit up and take notice, but they will also give the women folks food for thought. Dainty styles, delicate bits of fancy lingerie and an abundance of nobby bathing suits are worn by the characters in this feature, so that there will be entertainment and interest for both the T. B. M. and the mistress of his household.

Going! Going! Going!

The big tire sale at Valdez's No. 514 Convent Ave. 1-10-3t.

Constipation.

Constipation of the bowels is a stoppage of the sewerage-system that removes waste matter from the body. It is as necessary that your bowels move regularly once each day, to carry off this waste, as it is that the waste pipes of your home be kept open and carry off the waste from the house. If you would enjoy good health, keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed.

GOVERNORS FROM MEXICO TO ARRIVE HERE NEXT SUNDAY

Telegrams Indicate Great Interest, Laredo Citizens Organizing Delegation Attend Inauguration.

Telegrams being received from the governors of Mexico through the American and Mexican consulates indicate that there will be a good attendance from all of the border states of Mexico at Governors Neff's inauguration. Most of the officials from Mexico will arrive either Saturday night or Sunday morning and will probably be the guests of the city of Laredo over Sunday.

While there will be a mass meeting of citizens at the Chamber of Commerce tonight at 8:00 P. M. to select a delegation to act as escort for the officials from Mexico it is urged that every citizen who can possibly take the time should arrange to go to Governor Neff's inauguration and help swell the attendance from the Laredo district.

At a time when border conditions and trade relations with Mexico constitute important matters for state attention, it is not only opportune but very important that there should be a large attendance from Laredo at Governor Neff's inauguration. All of these matters will be discussed at the meeting tonight, and there should be a large attendance at the Chamber of Commerce at 8:00 P. M.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Home Ice Company of Laredo, Texas, will be held in the offices of said institution on Saturday, January 15th, 1921, at 5 p. m. for the election of a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the meeting.

L. J. CHRISTEN,
Secretary.
A. J. NEFF,
President.

Office of Deputy Collector of Customs Port of Laredo, Texas, Jan. 11, 1921. Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on January 19, 1921, at 10 A. M. at the Customs-house, one horse and buggy, seized for violation of Section 382, Revised Statutes, A. R. Kahn, Deputy Collector of Customs.

UNITARIAN CHURCH.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Jan. 11.—Organizations of the Unitarian Church co-operating for the first time will assemble here today in the first regular meeting of the Central Council of Unitarian Agencies.

The council is termed a "sort of league of nations of the Unitarian church," by Curtis W. Reese, of Chicago, clerk of the council. He characterized it here today as the "biggest forward step in co-operation ever taken by the Unitarian Church in the United States."

Fourteen Unitarian agencies make up the new council. Heretofore each has worked entirely independently of the others, Dr. Reese said. In the future they will co-operate in all matters in which they have interests involved, but each agency will maintain independence as regards its own affairs as before.

Purposes of the council are thus set forth by Dr. Reese:

"To provide a point of contact between our various denominational societies and agencies, through their recognized representatives, in order to facilitate understanding and sympathy among them.

"To study such programs of co-operative tasks as may be submitted, recommending measures and methods by which such tasks can be effectively done, and providing an opportunity as occasions arise when the several co-operating organizations may discuss their various functions and help one another in defining their separate spheres.

"To serve as a clearing house of information about the things that are being done by its constituent bodies through which information may be conveyed to each and to the public.

"To function in other forms of co-operative work for which there may be now no adequate provision."

The Unitarian central council consists of some 25 members, being made up of the following:

President and Secretary of the American Unitarian Association, President and Secretary of the Alliance of Unitarian Women, President and Secretary of the Laymen's League, President and Secretary of the Young People's Religious Union, President and Editor of the Christian Register, Secretary of the General Conference and the Chairman of the Council, Chairman of the Unitarian Campaign Committee, Secretary of the Western Unitarian Conference, Heads of the following Departments: Finance, Publication, Church Extension, and Religious Education, President of the Meadville Theological School, President of the Pacific Unitarian School for the Ministry, Secretary of the Service Pension Society, and Secretary of the Society for Ministerial Relief.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

LOCAL NEWS

—Born:—Saturday, January 8, 1921, to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Reiser at the Mercy Hospital, a girl.

—Mrs. T. A. Austin's class in Music Appreciation, will meet Saturday morning, at 10:15, at home of Mrs. Austin. Please be prompt. A large number have now enrolled, others desiring to enter class phone 2-1-7. If everyone could be educated to appreciate the better music, a public sentiment would be created which would demand good music.

—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo yesterday afternoon: Two carloads of beer, one carload of arsenic, seven carloads of ixtle, one carload of henequen and one carload of machinery.

—How is that water heater? If it needs attention call Miller, the plumber. Phone 506.

—Mrs. T. A. Austin, will open a class for children, boys and girls from eight to twelve, in Music Appreciation. This class is to meet the needs of the child's mind during the sensory period of development, to give a cultural acquaintance with good music, to form mental habits of alertness, perception, concentration, imagination, and analysis. All those parents desiring to enroll their children, please communicate with Mrs. Austin, phone 2-1-7, for more definite information, terms, and time.

—The street "fixing" machine is at work today scarifying and rolling Houston street from the corner of Flores Avenue to San Bernardo Avenue. This machine has done some excellent work on the streets of Laredo and is kept busy from day to day working some thoroughfares needing "leveling up."

—The Acme Laundry is a family laundry. We will be glad to get your work. O. Willhite, Manager, 2018 Iturbide St. 12-29-12t.

—Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-1t.

—Have you planned to attend Governor Neff's inauguration at Austin, January 18th? It is important that Laredo be well represented at these ceremonies. Report to the meeting tonight at the Chamber of Commerce office 8 p. m. sharp.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-1t.

—With the governors and official representatives of President Obregon as guests of Laredo, it is important that every citizen do his portion towards entertaining our distinguished guests. Be sure to attend the meeting tonight and offer your services and suggestions.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigreed seed. Please write or full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-1t.

—Mass meeting tonight at Chamber of Commerce at 8 p. m. sharp to consider ways and means of entertaining the governors and representatives of President Obregon of Mexico and selecting an official escort to accompany them to Governor Neff's inauguration at Austin, January 18th. Do not fail to attend this meeting.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-21-tt.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-1t.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-2-tt.

Notice.

I have transferred my grocery business to my son, H. Prats and in retiring from the business I wish to thank the people of Laredo for the liberal patronage and consideration accorded me and ask a continuance of same for my son.

MRS. N. M. de PRATS.

In taking over the business of my mother I respectfully solicit your patronage and in doing so I assure you that I will endeavor to give the same good service that was afforded by my mother, whom I am succeeding.

H. PRATS.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This is a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

We Buy Rags. Wash all the old rags that you have and bring them to The Times office. Best prices paid. Rags must be soft and clean. 11-13-1t.

AUTO SHOW TO OPEN.

San Antonio's big Automobile Show, which is held annually under the auspices of the San Antonio Automobile Trades Association, will open next Sunday, Jan. 16th.

The big plant of the Lone Star Motor Co., in which the show will be held has been made into an amphitheater of beauty. The San Antonio show has always been noted for the lavish decorations of its show buildings and this season the scenic artist has been given free rein, with the result that every exhibit will be a bower of beauty, offering a wonderful setting for the new models to be shown.

Every foot of exhibit space has been taken and models not seen before except at the New York show, which is now in progress, will be exhibited commencing next Sunday. In addition there will be many exhibits of new accessories and fuel saving devices, for this is the age in motordom when the motorist is as much interested in the fuel consumption of his car as he is in its motor and lines. Most of the big cars are now coming equipped with the most advanced carburetors which mean many added miles from each gallon and these will all be seen at the big show here.

The automobile races which are to be held the 16th, 17th and 18th, the first days of the show, will be the opening of San Antonio's new two-mile speedway. There is only one other two mile track in the United States, that at Indianapolis. Some of the most noted drivers of the country will baptize this new track, among them being men who hold world's records. Negotiations are now being made for Ralph De Palma and his string of racers to come here from California, where they have just completed a meet and this contract will no doubt be closed today. Interest in the races is so keen that it is expected the capacity of the track will be taxed to take care of the crowds. Thirty thousand people can easily be taken care of and more might be accommodated.

Outside dealers are showing the greatest interest in both the show and the races, because it provides the opportunity for them as well as the public generally to see everything new in motordom and trucks without going to the New York and Chicago Shows. San Antonio's show holds first rank among the big shows of the country and has earned the reputation of being the best show in the United States next to the ones in the metropolis and coming after them it secures practically all their main features. Attendance from all cities within a radius of one hundred and fifty miles of San Antonio is expected to break all records this year.

The show opens Sunday, January 16th, and continues for one week. Every day is of interest.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 11.

As chairman of the Senate Immigration Committee Senator Leaban E. Colt of Rhode Island is called upon to share prominently in the burden of efforts to solve the immigration problem now troubling the United States. Senator Colt entered the upper house in 1913, after a career of 30 years on the Federal bench. He is known as a man of high culture and broad views, gained by attendance at the foremost American universities and extensive travel abroad, and supplemented by years of experience in the law and in practical politics. In his early career he practiced law in Chicago. Returning East in 1876 he located in Providence and three years later began his public career as a member of the Rhode Island legislature. Within a few months Senator Colt will reach his seventy-fifth birthday, but he is as vigorous and active, mentally and physically, as most men of 50.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 11.

1717—Alexander Hamilton, one of the greatest of American statesmen, born in the West Indies. Died in New York City, July 12, 1804.

1814—Sir James Paget, for many years surgeon to Queen Victoria and to the Prince of Wales, born. Died in 1899.

1825—Bayard Taylor, celebrated author, born in Chester County, Pa. Died in Berlin, Germany, Dec. 19, 1878.

1841—Mehemet Ali consented to give up Syria to the Sultan of Turkey, and received in return the hereditary sovereignty of Egypt.

1858—Many lives lost in a great blizzard which swept the Northwestern States.

1891—Baron Haussmann, to whom Napoleon III owed his election as President of the French Republic in 1848, died in Paris. Born there in 1809.

1896—Canada agreed to arbitration of the Behring Sea seizure claims.

1919—The Prince of Wales was a guest of the American soldiers at Coblenz.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 12.

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, head of the Lord's Day Alliance, which is working for a return to a Puritan Sabbath, born at Fryeburg, Maine, 71 years ago today.

Marquis of Crewe, leader of the Liberal party in the British House of Lords, born in London, 63 years ago today.

Murphy J. Foster, former governor of Louisiana and U. S. senator, born at Franklin, La., 72 years ago today.

Joseph Jacques Joffre, Marshal of France and commander of the French armies in the early period of the war, born in the south of France, 69 years ago today.

Georges Carpentier, the European champion pugilist who is soon to meet Jack Dempsey, the American champion, born at Lens, France, 27 years ago today.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 12.

Max Nordau, whose prospective return to Paris has aroused anti-Semitic factions to a determined movement to bring about his exclusion from France, has a claim to ennoblement in the leading part he has always taken in the Zionist movement. He is also famous as the author of "Degeneracy," a work which aroused considerable stir about 30 years ago and inflicted a deserved castigation on some of the more impure modern schools of art. Dr. Nordau, who is 70 years of age, is a native of Hungary, but since 1880 has lived in Paris. In his capacity of correspondent of various German and Austrian newspapers he has aroused the ire of the French people on numerous occasions in the past by his bitter criticisms. Nevertheless, in the late war took sides with the country of his adoption as against the land of his birth.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 12.

1777—Gen. Hugh Mercer, a famous commander in the Continental army, died of wounds received in the battle of Princeton. Born in Scotland in 1720.

1781—The States-General of Holland in the British parliament that a premium be given by the government to large families.

1838—Joshua Humphreys, who designed the famous frigate Constitution, died at Haverford, Pa. Born there, June 17, 1751.

1871—President Grant appointed a commission to visit San Domingo, and report on the desirability of annexing that republic to the United States.

1890—The British Consulate in Lisbon was stoned by a mob.

1905—Triumphal entry of the Japanese into Port Arthur.

1912—Beginning of great strike of textile mill workers at Lawrence, Mass.

CATTLEMEN MEET.

By Associated Press.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 12.—El Paso tonight was filled with cattlemen here to discuss the serious plight of their business at the twenty-fourth annual convention of the American National Livestock Association. The convention opens tomorrow and continues three days.

The "wave of deflation," according to leaders, has swept livestock prices below the cost of production. Stockmen cannot get loans to continue their business, they say, and this has caused liquidation of much livestock that should have been "kept for further finishing or breeding."

Ike Pryor of San Antonio, is expected to deal vigorously with adverse conditions in the industry when he speaks during the convention on "The Tariff as it Affects the Farm and Ranch."

Other speakers include W. S. Culbertson, member of the United States Tariff Commission. Senator J. B. Kendrick, of Wyoming, president of the association; S. F. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, Dominion of Canada; W. W. Turney, President of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association; and J. Z. Miller, Governor of the Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

JANUARY 12.

Allied High Commission took military control of the Rhineland.

New York General Assembly refused to reinstate five excluded Socialists.

1921 INCOME TAX FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW.

What was your income for 1920?

An answer to this question is required by the Government of every single person (man, woman, or child) in the United States whose net income for last year was \$1,000 or more, and of every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or more. Heavy penalties are provided by the revenue act for those who fail or "willfully refuse" to comply.

The period for filing returns for the calendar year 1920 is from January 1 to March 15, 1921. The Bureau of Internal Revenue estimates that within this period there will be filed 4,000,000 individual income tax returns. It is certain a percentage of these returns will be incorrect, not because of dishonest intent on the part of the taxpayer but because of error in making out the forms. Erroneous interpretation of the law and regulations governing the collection of the income tax and carelessness cause numerous mistakes, and result in the initial assessment and collection of considerably greater or lesser amounts than are actually due. Frequently these mistakes result in overpayment, return of which is made upon a claim for refund. Where, upon verification and audit, underpayments are shown, taxpayers as a rule are prepared promptly to amend their returns and pay the additional tax due. In either event, there is trouble for both the taxpayer and the Government.

Bureau Aids Taxpayers.

To the end that this year such errors may be reduced to a minimum, the Bureau of Internal Revenue is making special effort to inform taxpayers of their rights and duties under the revenue act as interpreted by rulings and regulations of the Treasury Department.

There has been prepared with the official approval of the bureau a series of short articles, of which this is the first, telling the taxpayer how to make out his 1920 return, when and where to file it, and what to do in the event he meets with unusual difficulties. Errors most frequently noted in the audit of previous returns have been divided into classes, each of which will be treated in an informative way. While there is no actual change in the law, there have been issued during the last year many rulings and decisions bearing on its various sections, all of which are of benefit to the taxpayer in the making of a correct return.

1920 Exemptions.

The exemptions for 1920 are \$1,000 for single persons, \$2,000 for married persons and heads of families, plus \$200 for each dependent if under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support. The normal rate is 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income above the exemptions and 8 per cent on the remaining net income. This applies to every citizen and resident of the United States. Alien non-residents receiving income from sources within the United States are taxed to the full 8 per cent on net income from such sources. The surtax rates range from 1 per cent on income between \$5,000 and \$6,000 to 65 per cent on income in excess of \$1,000,000. "Net income" is gross income less certain specified deductions.

May Pay in Installments.

The tax, this year as last, may be paid in full at the time of filing the return, or in four equal installments, due on or before March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15. The first installment must accompany the filing of the return. Forms 1040A for incomes of \$5,000 and less and 1040 for incomes of more than \$5,000 have been revised and contain instructions which if carefully read and followed will be of great aid to the taxpayer in the making of his return.

Forms will be sent to persons who last year filed returns of 1919 income. Failure to receive a form, however, does not relieve a person of his obligation to file a return and pay the tax on time. Copies may be obtained from offices of collectors of internal revenue, branch offices, and banks. The return, sworn to before a notary, or other person authorized to administer oaths, must be filled with the collector for the district in which the taxpayer lives or has his principal place of business.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

Seventy-five years ago today 50 persons perished in a theatre fire in Quebec.

Marshal Joffre, famous French commander in the late war, enters upon his 70th year today.

The American National Livestock Association will meet in annual convention today at El Paso.

The Wisconsin legislature will meet today and proceed to organize for its biennial session.

Temporary quarters are to be provided for the West Virginia legislature when it assembles today, the State Capital having been destroyed by fire.

Important problems confronting the lumber industry are to be considered by the Canadian Lumbermen's Association, meeting in annual session today at Ottawa.

The National Poultry Show, one of the largest annual exhibitions of its kind in the United States, will open today in the Coliseum in Chicago.



SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

The Parish Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Elmer Anderson at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Healing Mission at Christ Church at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

Thursday.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. G. L. Hatley.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. G. C. Hiatt at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The W. M. U. Circles of the Baptist Church will meet at the regular hour in the afternoon.

The Hero.

It is not the deed but the danger That tests the hero's soul; And the songs of strength are not so rare

As the sign of self-control. A torch, a cheer and a niche of fame For the man who met the foe, But here's to the men who fail or win In a stress we do not know.

Some are cheered by a nation's honor And some by a steadfast friend; And some by the light of a woman's love

Till the strain and strife have ended. And after the story is writ and read The heart of the world is stirred.

But here's to the man who toiled alone And whose tale was never heard.

There is joy in a fatigued struggle— If the watchers understand. There is joy in the lift of another's load

By a loyal heart or hand. But some things fall to the lot of life— And ever it must be so,— Some no others can understand, And some no one can know.

In the long, long run we reckon Each man at his social worth; With a partial glance at his circumstance

And the stars above his birth. But under the breast that stands the test The heart tides ebb and flow.

Then here's to the one whose duty's done In a stress we do not know. —Charles Poole Cleaves.

General Mention.

Mrs. David Clark arrived Sunday from Tampico, Tamps., and left yesterday morning for Millett to be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Yates.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johns of Pearsall are in the city. They expect to make Laredo their future home.

Mr. W. F. Smith arrived in the city Monday from Pearsall, and left yesterday morning for Roma, Texas.

Mr. Tim Hinds has returned to his home in Melon, Texas, after a several days' stay in the city.

Mr. John Winslow of Artesia is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. A. J. Condren has gone to Tampico on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mackin have returned from San Antonio.

Mr. R. O. Gouger has returned to his home in Cotulla, after spending several days in the city on business.

Club Notes.

The Tuesday Music and Literary Club met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Elks Club. The president, Mrs. Thredgill, being absent, the vice president, Mrs. Biskamp, presided. After a short business session, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. D. Z. Windrow, who was leader of the afternoon, the subject being "Masters of Violin," and the leader's talk was on four famous violinists—Ysaie, Kreisler, Kuberlick and Elman.

Following the talk, Messrs. Aurelio and Vicente Ferrara gave a lovely violin selection, "Serenade," the encore being a wonderful adaptation of "Home Sweet Home." Violin solo, Mr. A. J. Notzon, and the encore was a composition of his own, which was very beautiful and wonderful. Mrs. Cantrell read a paper on "Famous Women Violinists." The visitor of the afternoon was Mrs. Paul Mathews of New York, who is one of the honorary members, and she delighted the members with a short address.

The following associate members were elected yesterday: Mesdames Seymour Denike, Martha Whittington, Marcus Wormser, Grace Cuff, Roe Oliver, E. H. Buenz, and Albert Offer.

Junior Auxiliary.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church met yesterday afternoon at

the Rectory, and worked on paper envelopes for dolls and scrapbooks. After the work hour the children went over to the church, where a letter was read from the Junior leader, Mrs. Jackson. The boxes for 1920 went to Rossville, Ga., and Cullowhee, N. C. Miss Archer, the missionary in charge, wrote a nice letter of thanks to the West Texas Juniors for the many lovely gifts. Mr. Cook spoke a few words to the children about the healing mission, and the story read was, "A Cup or a Sleeve." Those present were: Jack Aldridge, Mary Ernestine Sielski, Helen MacDonald, Jack, Ethel and Alta Gracia Puster, Joe and Theresa Fasnacht, Nellie Ward, Janie Mary Ward, Elizabeth, Charline, and Miles Nye Ralph and Mary Cook, Ethel Laue, Ruby Colman, Anne McKinney, Nettie and Woodie Bunn, George, Horace, Jack Eleanor and Jack Kehl, Jack Denike, Jack Younk, Mary Anderson, and Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Cook.

Praises Laredo.

Mrs. Clarence Miller, who has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Charles Deutz, for several weeks, left Monday night for Cincinnati, Ohio, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Gilman. Mrs. Miller expects to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Holden of New York City, and spend several weeks in Washington, D. C., before returning to her home in Austin. Mrs. Miller praises the Laredo climate, saying it is a wonderful winter resort, and that she saw a great chance in the scenery, with its hills and dales and native trees, made more attractive by our most glorious sunsets. She found great pleasure in looking at the lovely palms and the orange trees with their golden fruit. She enjoyed contemplating the wonderful possibilities of Southwest Texas.

We are constantly hearing words of praise in regard to the natural beauties and the possibilities of this part of Texas. It is a pleasure to know that visitors see the beauties of our town and its surroundings. Let us continue to improve it that may be more and more attractive. Let us assist Nature and use its possibilities to our advantage, thus encouraging the children of our town to carry on the good work of improvement in a place where Nature has been kind enough to inspire us with admiration for the beautiful.

—Contributed.

CENSUS OF SHANGHAI.

By Associated Press.

Shanghai, Dec. 1.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press). A quinquennial census taken in October in the French Concession and the International Settlement gives Shanghai a foreign population of 26,869, according to official returns.

A census of the entire city, native and foreign, has never been taken, but careful estimates give the city a total population of over 2,000,000.

The returns show that the International Settlement has a foreign population of 23,297 and the French Concession 3,562. In the two concessions the Japanese lead in point of numbers with 2,313, and Russians fourth with 1,382. The number of French in the two districts is 846.

The census revealed that the International Settlement has 35 different nationalities with 18 of undefined nationality.

Most of the Japanese in Shanghai live in the International Settlement where they make up nearly fifty per cent of the foreign population as they number 16,215, an increase of 3,499 since 1915. The heavy influx of Russians from Siberia to the International Settlement in recent years is seen in their number, 1,206, a gain of 995 since 1915.

The German population which in 1915 totaled 1,155 has dwindled in the International Settlement to 230.

The British predominate in the French Concession as they number 1,044. The American residents of the French settlement not only hold second place but they outnumber the French by 19 as the census gives 549 Americans in the concession and but 520 French.

SPORTING NOTES.

Wrestlers should not be overlooked in any enumeration of the crops for which Iowa and Nebraska are famous.

Bryan Downey and Augie Ratner are to furnish the New Year fistic entertainment for the fans of Columbus, Ohio.

The Sunup South Handicap, the premier event in Southern trapshooting circles, is to be staged at Houston in February.

Dates for the coming season of the Lake Erie Trotting Circuit will be decided upon at a meeting in Pittsburgh January 13.

Mainstee, a good ball town in the days of the old Michigan State League, would like to obtain a Central league franchise.

The circuit of the Piedmont baseball league for 1921 will be the same as that which had such a successful season the past year.

Powerboat racing for 1921 will be started the second week of February at Miami, Fla., with the contests for the Fisher Trophy.

Joe Mathes, pilot of the Beaumont Texas league team, has signed up a dozen promising youngsters for tryouts with the Exporters next spring.

NATIONS OF WORLD WOULD RESPOND TO INVITATION TO DISCUSS DISARMAMENT

Gen. Bliss Told House Naval Committee Favorable Response would be Prompt and Inevitable and the Nation Refusing to Agree Could be Written Down as the Next Germany.

CHANGE OF PLANS BY HARDING'S REQUEST

WILSON WILL MAKE HIS LAST APPEARANCE IN CAPITOL AS PRESIDENT ON MARCH 4TH.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Changes in plans for the inauguration of President-elect Harding will not interfere with the intention of President Wilson to accompany Mr. Harding to the capitol where the latter will take the oath of office, it was learned today. Thus Mr. Wilson on March 4 will make his first appearance at the capitol in more than a year and a half and also his last appearance as president of the United States. Other plans of Mr. Wilson for the inauguration are not expected to be affected by changes made in the inauguration ceremonies at the request of the president-elect. After Mr. Harding takes the oath of office, he and Mrs. Harding, according to custom, are expected to entertain Mr. and Mrs. Wilson at luncheon.

CABINET RESIGNED.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The cabinet of Premier Leygues resigned today following its defeat of postponing all interpellations until after the conference of allied premiers set for January 19, the premier making the demand for such postponement a question of confidence.

PLENTY OF MINERS.

By Associated Press.

Deadwood, S. D., Jan. 12.—Mining men of the Black Hills are making preparations for a return to normal production, expected this year. They say that although all mines have been worked short handed since the United States entered the war miners have been gradually returning until there is an ample supply in the hills.

CHINESE GIRLS.

By Associated Press.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Chin Mei, Yi Mei and Mei Ling, Shanghai Chinese girls who are expert silk workers, are going to America this month to show how silk is reeled in Chinese factories at the International Silk Exposition that is to open in New York early in February.

The girls will accompany a delegation of five headed by Sze Yung-ming, delegate representing the Peking government. The other delegates are being sent by the Shanghai Steam Silk Filatures and Cocoon Merchants Guild.

The girls are to demonstrate how the silk is unreeled from the cocoon and reeled into skeins.

HAULING MONEY.

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12.—More than \$50,000,000 in gold, silver and currency was hauled through the streets of St. Louis without the loss of a cent, while crime here was at its peak last month, it is announced at the Federal Building.

Daily for nearly a month millions of dollars were carried 15 blocks to the Union Station, as much as \$5,000,000 being in a single trip.

Three men, with arms concealed, guarded each vehicle, and unbroken secrecy was maintained.

The money was being sent to the mints at Denver and San Francisco from the United States Treasury here, which was suspended by act of Congress last May.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1921.
A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.
Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the Blood on Mucous Surfaces of the System. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Should the United States call upon the nations of the world for a "full, free and fair discussion of reduction of armaments, a favorable response would be prompt and inevitable," the house naval committee was told today by General Tasker H. Bliss, former American representative to the supreme war council in Paris. "The nation that would come to such a conference and refuse to agree to any proposition looking to disarmament, or at least reduction of the military establishment," said Gen. Bliss, "could be written down as the next Germany and the United States could make its plans accordingly." Secretary Daniels submitted tables to show that while the present effective fighting strength of the British navy includes 538 ships of 1,588,442 tons, compared with 339 ships of 779,193 tons for the American, completion of the authorized building program of this country in 1925 will give a tonnage superiority in the ratio of 1.35 to 1, with approximately the same number of ships.

Order Reduction of Forces.

Washington, Jan. 12.—A reduction of the American forces of occupation in Germany from 15,000 to 8,000 has been ordered by the war department. Secretary Baker today wrote Representative Byrnes (Democrat) of South Carolina that the reduction already was under way.

PALMER APPEALED FROM THE DECISION

OBJECTS TO INJUNCTION TO PREVENT ORDER AGAINST INCREASED COMMISSION RATES.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Attorney General Palmer today ordered that an appeal be taken to the United States circuit court of appeals for the Eighth district from the decision of Federal Judge Van Valkenburgh of Kansas City restraining endorsement by criminal proceedings under the Lever act of the order of the secretary of agriculture against increased commission rates for selling or handling livestock at Kansas City.

ROTARIANS HOLD MEETING AND HAD NUMEROUS GUESTS

Several interesting talks were made by guests and members on various subjects at the meeting.

F. A. Lattig presided over the weekly meeting and luncheon of the Laredo Rotary Club today at the Hamilton Hotel Cafe, and the following guests were in attendance: Colonel W. B. Cochran, commander of Fort McIntosh; Rev. Henry L. Ross, a Presbyterian missionary of Zitacuaro, Mexico; F. J. Wolma, of the Department of Animal Industry, San Antonio; A. W. Koch, a railroad man of Houston; Capt. H. M. Gwynn of Fort McIntosh; M. G. Dettling of Dallas; and S. M. Folskoff of this city.

After roll call and the transaction of some routine business, Colonel Cochran made a short talk in which he referred to his service under Major General B. B. Buck, a man whose only fault was that he did not know how to retreat, and the reference to General Buck brought loud applause. J. C. Netzer spoke this week on his classification in the Rotary Club. Rev. Ross and Mr. Wolma also delivered short addresses, and Mr. Koch spoke on the proposed railway from Beeville to Laredo, saying the work of surveying is completed and that construction work is expected to begin by April 1. After the singing of Rotarian songs in chorus, the meeting was brought to a close with a solo by Mrs. Travis Bruce Bunn.

Croupy Children.

When children get croup or have colds in chest stop it at once by this method. Apply Fidelity Volvaine to chest and rub in well. Cover with white flannel and permit patient to inhale vapors freely. Fidelity Volvaine is sold by all druggists. When it's Fidelity Quality you're sure it's pure. For sale by all druggists.

TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

HOBBY RECOMMENDS LAND FOR LANDLESS

PROPOSED SPEEDY ENACTMENT OF AMENDMENT TO PERMIT STATE CREDIT FOR HOMES.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 12.—In the second and third series of messages to the Thirty-seventh legislature, Governor Hobby today dealt with the state's financial condition and recommended "speedy enactment of a joint resolution amending the constitution to permit the state to lend its credit for the purpose of adding the homeless to acquire homes and the landless to acquire lands." Mr. Hobby said at the end of both the fiscal and the last calendar year larger amounts remained in the Texas general revenue fund than ever before. The respective amounts according to the governor, were \$3,819,758.78 and \$4,917,229.84.

Protecting Baseball.

Austin, Jan. 12.—A bill making it a penal offense punishable by confinement in the penitentiary for from two to ten years for conspiring to "throw" a baseball game or other sports was introduced in the senate today by Senator Dorough of Bowie county. Mr. Dorough also introduced the public utilities bill as prepared by the governor's committee appointed to draft such a measure.

CHICAGO'S FOREST.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—In its fifth year Chicago's forest preserve, enclosing the city in a great outer park belt, numbers 18,008 acres and cost \$7,225,000. Peter Hultberg, president of the forest preserve, in 1920 reported that the preserve contained over 2,000,000 people.

The park already includes more than half of the 95,000 acres of available wooded land behind Chicago and new tracts are continually being added.

Indian Day, held in the preserve last year commemorating tribes that once lived in these same wooded lands, proved so successful that it will be made an annual event. Dependents of these tribes were brought back for the affair.

INAGURAL PARADE.

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 12.—Troop A of the Ohio National Guard and the Cleveland Grays are preparing for the inaugural parade of Warren G. Harding, Ohio's last president.

Troop A has escorted every president elected from Ohio since and included Ruford B. Hayes, while the Grays boast of having escorted President William Henry Harrison from Fort Meigs to Cleveland eighty-one years ago and since then President Garfield, Benjamin Harrison and Roosevelt. Troop A is a cavalry organization and the Grays Infantry.

The Grays' plans include the presence in the marching line of Col. F. W. Garbreath, national commander of the American Legion.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight unsettled. Thursday cloudy; warmer.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:

Max. tem. 77 degs.
Min. temp. 45 degs.
General direction of wind: North. Cloudy.

Chambérlain's Cough Remedy.

This is a pleasant, safe and reliable medicine for coughs and colds. It has been in use for many years and is held in high esteem in those households where its good qualities are best known. It is a favorite with mothers of young children, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. Try it when you have need of such a remedy.

Going! Going! Going!

The big tire sale at Valdez's No. 514 Convent Ave. 1-10-21.

DISARMAMENT.

General Tasker Bliss is of the opinion that if the United States were to call upon the nations of the world for a full, free and fair discussion of the reduction of armaments, a favorable response would be prompt and inevitable.

There can be no doubt of this, for no nation would care to increase its present burden of taxation for armament, or even to keep the present burden, if it could be sure that all the rest would do the same.

General Bliss further states that the nation that would come to such a conference and refuse to agree to any proposition looking to disarmament or at least reduction of military establishments "could be written down as the next Germany, and the United States could make its plans accordingly."

But not only the United States, all other nations would have to make their plans "accordingly," for unless there is a perfect accord among all the nations there could be no agreement on the part of any to disarm.

Hence the reason for such an agreement as was looked for from the league of nations. It may be brought about by the proposed new "association of nations," but whatever its name, the world alliance to prevent wars must first of all secure the agreement of all to reduce the military establishments to a force only sufficient to put down disorder within and depend upon the combination of all the armies and navies to prevent aggression from without.

It is of no use to complain of what is past. We should now see to it that our country takes a prominent and effective part in the establishment of the agreement to prevent wars in future, concerning the authorship of which there is so much dispute.

If we are to take the lead, we should prepare ourselves for some antagonism to our plans, for we have not officially agreed to those of any other nation so far proposed. We should see to it that there is nothing ambiguous or likely to give ground for suspicion of our motives in the plan which we propose.

While we loudly proclaim our innocence of any intention to commit acts of aggression against other nations, especially the smaller and weaker ones, we continue to talk of a navy "big enough to whip the world," and an army—on paper, at least—that will be sufficient to turn the tide of battle in our favor.

It is true that we have never begun a war against any other country, but our first war established our independence of the mother country, our second established us as a world power, our third resulted in a great gain of territory, our fourth war against a foreign foe left on our hands a considerable territory which we are wondering how to dispose of, and only our latest foreign war resulted in no acquisition of foreign territory.

With such a record as this, we must walk softly when we ask other nations to disarm. We are now building what will be the greatest navy in the world in 1925 unless some other country speeds up its building program. We are establishing a reserve force and a militia which will make of our army a trained force of several millions, and we are even proposing to supply arms and a sufficient quantity of ammunition for this large force, to be held in readiness against "the day."

The nations to the south of us are suspicious that all this may portend a war of conquest, although we profess no inclination that way. We do not even want mandates over any of the lesser nations, and some of our people want us to be absolutely and completely isolated from the rest of the world.

We shall need all our force of argument to convince the other nations that we are in earnest, so long as we remained out of the first—and so far, the only—league of nations against war.

ENTERTAINING.

Some years ago, when a convention was held in one of the big cities the delegates transacted their business during the day, sometimes holding an evening session, and the entertainment usually afforded them was a theatrical performance of more or less merit, with a dance if the ladies accompanied their lords on the trip, and at least one banquet.

Nowadays, according to the news items, but little business is transacted at the average convention, most of the time being taken up by banquets, visits to cabarets, a "midnight frolic" or two and more or less indulgence in the forbidden juice of the grape.

At a recent convention of shoe dealers in Milwaukee, the "entertainment" provided the delegates was so flagrant that the officers of the association protested and the "girls" were ordered dressed with more respect for the conventions.

The performance was given in imitation of the usual cabaret show and was called the Palm Beach Show. The delegates were served by waitresses dressed in bathing suits, with bare arms and legs, and the "atmosphere" was too breezy, as the officers boasted.

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moorings when "the tired business man" gets away from home nowadays. He is usually unaccompanied by the female portion of his household, and as a great part of the show world is devoting itself to performances of a class that in past years could not have been given behind closed doors without risk of a visit from the police, the drift is always towards immorality and indecency.

Even the women nowadays attend performances and listen to "stage patter" that would have brought the blush of shame to an old rounder of a former generation. The stage clothing, scanty enough even when seen behind the footlights, is brought to the tables where people are awaiting their turn to take part in the evening's entertainment, and the resultant or at least reduction of anatomy does not even arouse the jaded senses of the audience, bored with a constant repetition of indecent exposure.

A courtier once told Nero that one fault of his spectacles was the superabundance of the boldly-displayed women. A single rosebud in a vase, he said, was more beautiful than a mass of roses thrown carelessly on the table.

The one idea of modern stagecraft seems to be numbers and quantity. One of the most successful of the managers, discussing a coming performance with his stage manager, said: "Don't make that quartette too cheap; get ten or twelve girls in it; I don't care if it goes as high as eighteen!"

The keynote of the modern stage performance is bigness. If indecency is the aim, the management goes to the limit, and where the lighting is the object, the spectator is blinded with area and incandescents.

So when "the tired business man" looks for something that will soothe him, he is given a chorus of cracked voices, singing the latest ribaldries, displaying all of Nature's charms, and suggestive of anything but rest and quiet.

And for fear that someone will consider it "cheap," the management has "quartettes" of thirty or forty or even fifty girls! Something big! That's the one idea.

We have not yet reached the stage of indecency announced in Berlin. So far we have managed to retain the last rag of decency in the attire of our "entertainers" and a slight vestige of self-respect on the part of the spectators.

And perhaps the protest of these business men who were assembled in convention to discuss the shoe market will have some slight effect on those who purvey amusement for a tired business world.

BIG BUSINESS IN NOVEMBER THROUGH PORT OF LAREDO

Official Report Issued at Washington Shows This Customs District Had Increase Over October.

The official report of the business done in the San Antonio customs district for the month of November, a copy of which has just been received here, shows that the total amount of exports and imports through the several ports of the district, composed of Laredo, Brownsville and Eagle Pass, for the month of November was far in excess of that for the previous month. The total valuations of exports and imports through the district for the month of October aggregated \$5,500,000, while the total for the month of November was \$7,000,000, an increase of \$1,500,000 in one month. Fully four-fifths of this business passed through the support of Laredo, either going or coming between the two countries.

The report shows that during the month of November cotton valued at \$750,000 (in bales) or 3,646,193 pounds, was exported through the San Antonio district to Mexico, this being the record-breaking amount of raw cotton exported from this country to Mexico within a month. Another feature is the large number of automobiles shipped to Mexico, the total valuation being \$450,000, besides \$200,000 worth of machinery and \$120,000 worth of shoes.

MISS MARJORIE GELM



Miss Marjorie Gelm, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. G. E. Gelm, is one of the season's debutantes in navy circles in Washington.

Notice to Owners Motor Vehicles. This is to notify those concerned that I am now ready to issue 1921 licenses for motor vehicles.

H. LIGARDE, Tax Collector Webb County. 18-10t.

EVER BILIOUS?

Charleston, Miss.—Mrs. R. V. Heins, of this place, says: "I have never had to use very much medicine, because if I felt headache, dizziness, or colds, bad taste in the mouth, which comes from torpid liver, I would take a dose or more of Black-Draught, and it would straighten me out and make me feel as good as new. We have used in our family for years

THEDFORD'S

BLACK-DRAUGHT

and it certainly is the best liver medicine I ever saw. It has not only saved me money, it has helped keep my system in shape, and has never weakened me as so many physics do. I recommend it to my friends and am glad to do so." Black-Draught is the old, reliable liver medicine which you have doubtless heard much about. When you feel badly all over, stomach not right, bad taste in your mouth, bilious, or have a headache, try Thedford's Black-Draught. At all Druggists.

Always Insist on the Genuine!

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1921 INCOME TAX FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW.

Due, in the majority of cases to misunderstanding of exemptions, more than 70,000 persons last year were assessed a nominal penalty of from \$5 to \$10 for failure to file an income tax return for 1919, although their income for that year was not taxable.

The revenue act provides a personal exemption of \$1,000 for single persons, \$2,000 for married persons and heads of families, and an additional exemption of \$200 for each person dependent upon the taxpayer for chief support, if such person is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support. The delinquents last year were persons whose incomes exactly equaled the amount of the allowable exemptions and who considered it unnecessary to file a return and others whose income, because of dependents, was non-taxable, but who nevertheless were required by law to make returns.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue, therefore, this year is emphasizing the fact that the requirements to file a return are based solely on a person's marital status and the amount of his or her income for 1920. Single persons with net incomes for 1920 of \$1,000 or more and married persons with net incomes of \$2,000 or more must file a return regardless of whether their incomes are non-taxable.

Returns of Married Persons.

The exemption of \$2,000 allowed married persons applies to the combined income of husband and wife, to which must be added the income of dependent minor children. A common error is for both husband and wife to claim the exemption, which is designed to cover essential living expenses. This exemption was far claimed by either or may be apportioned between them as they may elect.

If the income of either husband or wife for the year 1920 was more than \$5,000, each should file a separate return. This is for the purpose of computing correctly the surtax on income in excess of \$5,000, which applies separately to the net income of husband and wife, and not to the combined net income.

The surtax rates which apply only to net income in excess of \$5,000, are computed without benefit of the personal exemptions. Many taxpayers make the mistake of computing tax on the combined net income of husband and wife, to their own disadvantage. As an illustration, in the case of a husband whose net income was \$7,000 and that of his wife \$2,000, the total normal and surtax, if the incomes were combined, would amount to \$480, whereas if computed on the income of each would amount to only \$350. In the first instance, deducting the personal exemption of \$2,000 from the combined income of \$9,000, the tax is on the remaining \$7,000. At the rate of 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 and 8 per cent on income in excess of that amount the normal tax amounts to \$400. The surtax, which is computed without the benefit of the personal exemption, amounts to \$80, which is 1 per cent on the amount of income between \$5,000 and \$6,000, 2 per cent on the amount of income between \$6,000 and \$8,000, and 3 per cent on the amount of income between \$8,000 and \$9,000.

If computed separately, the husband may deduct the personal exemption of \$2,000 from his income of \$7,000 and on the remainder pay a normal tax of \$240, being 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 and 8 per cent on the excess. His surtax amounts to \$20, being 1 per cent on the amount of his income between \$5,000 and \$6,000, and 2 per cent on the amount of his income between \$6,000 and \$7,000. The wife receives no personal exemption, and her entire income of \$2,000 is taxed at the rate of 4 per cent, being less than \$4,000. The husband's tax is \$270 and the wife's \$80.

Exemptions Not For All.

Not every married person is entitled to the \$2,000 exemption. The claim is dependent upon whether man and wife are living together within the meaning of the revenue act. In the absence of continuous residence together, whether a man or woman is living with wife or husband depends upon the character of the separation. If occasionally and temporarily the wife is away on a visit or the husband is away on business, the joint home being maintained, the \$2,000 exemption applies. Unavoidable absence of a wife or husband at a sanatorium on account of illness does not preclude a claim for the exemption. If, however, the husband voluntarily and continuously makes his home at one place and the wife at another, they are not living together within the meaning of the income tax laws regardless of their personal relations. In case of separation by mutual agreement each must make a return of income of \$1,000 or more. The same rule applies in case of divorce or legal separation. A maid or widow not the head of a family and without dependents is entitled only to a \$1,000 exemption.

How To Determine Status. The status of a taxpayer on the last day of the taxable year determines the amount of his exemptions. If on December 31, 1920, he was married and living with his wife he may claim the \$2,000 exemption, although the marriage may have taken place on December 30. If on December 30 he became a widower, he is entitled only to the \$1,000 allowed a single person unless the head of a family.

ELABORATE CELEBRATION

IS PLANNED FOR THIS CITY

EXPECTED TO SURPASS ALL FORMER EFFORTS OF KIND.

Washington Birthday Celebration This Year Will Be the Most Elaborate Ever Attempted in Laredo.

For more than twenty years past, and to the time of the world war, the citizens of Laredo annually observed Washington's Birthday Anniversary with an annual celebration covering from three to five days that attained international importance and thousands of people were attracted here annually by the big event, for Laredo honored the "father of his country" on his birthday anniversary on a more elaborate scale than any other city in the country.

Now the annual celebrations are to be resumed and the program of festivities planned for February 21, 22 and 23 in this city promises a celebration equal to any held in previous years, with the banner day on February 22. Besides great festivities in the early morning, the attack on the city hall by Indians, the surrender of the keys of the city to Pocahontas and her retinue, the big parade of military, civic and other organizations with elaborately decorated floats and trades displays, athletic events, carnival attractions, etc., there will be a reproduction of the battle of Chateau Thierry in fireworks at night on the river front and other features.

Nuevo Laredo will also provide a big program of events this year and a number of large Mexican musical organizations will be brought to this city and Nuevo Laredo to furnish music during the three-day celebration. A program is now being arranged by the Red Men and those in charge of the celebration features and this will be announced as soon as ready.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no others. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 32 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

PERSONNEL IS ANNOUNCED OF MEXICAN DELEGATIONS

REPRESENTATIVES OF PRESIDENT OBREGON ARE NAMED.

Provisional Governors and Governors of Three of the Mexican Border States Here Next Sunday.

The Laredo Chamber of Commerce, which will act as escort to the delegation of governors of Mexican border states and the personal representatives of President Alvaro Obregon to the inauguration of Governor-elect Pat M. Neff of Texas on next Tuesday, will reach Laredo early Sunday morning and spend the day here, leaving that night on a special train accompanied by the Laredo delegation for Austin.

The Laredo Chamber of Commerce has just received confirmations by wire of the following information concerning the personnel and officials of the states and republic of Mexico, who will attend the inauguration of Governor Neff at Austin, January 18th. The Laredo Chamber of Commerce will be the official escort from the border to Austin and return. The official representatives named will be the guests of the Chamber of Commerce and will be carried in a train to be designated as the Gateway Special.

General Alvaro Obregon, president of the republic, wires that he has designated General F. Perez Treviño, chief of staff of the Mexican Army, as his personal representative. General Treviño will be accompanied by two officers.

Brigadier General Porfirio Gonzalez, provisional governor of the state of Nuevo Leon wires that he will attend and be accompanied by Lic. Antonio C. Elizondo, attorney general of Nuevo Leon; also Col. Miguel Flores Villar, Lieut. Col. Bonifacio Salinas, First Capt. Agustín M. Salazar, Lieut. Juan Montalvo. Governor-elect Juan M. Garcia wires he will come with three attendants.

Governor Luis Gutierrez, of the state of Coahuila, wires he will come with twelve representatives.

Acting Governor Jose Morantes of the state of Tamaulipas wires that he has designated Dr. Gilberto Cicerio, Roberto Benavente and Mayor Felipe Zepeda of Nuevo Laredo as the official representatives from that state. Gov.-elect C. Lopez de Lara wires that he will attend.

Gov. Ignacio C. Enriquez of the state of Chihuahua wires that he is sending Federico Souler as his personal representative, and Lic. Miguel Callado.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Webb County,—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Webb, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice.

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the Estate of Juana V. de Cardenas, deceased: Salas Cardenas, has filed in the County Court of Webb County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of the said Juana V. de Cardenas, deceased, which will be heard on the Third Monday in January, A. D. 1921, the same being the 17th day of January A. D. 1921, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Laredo, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the City of Laredo, Texas, the 6th day of January, A. D. 1921.

Attest: J. A. RODRIGUEZ, Clerk, Co. Court, Webb Co., Texas.

OLD STANDBY, FOR ACHES AND PAINS

Any man or woman who keeps Sloan's handy will tell you that same thing

ESPECIALLY those frequently attacked by rheumatic twinges. A counter-irritant, Sloan's Liniment scatters the congestion and penetrates without rubbing to the afflicted part, soon relieving the ache and pain. Kept handy and used everywhere for reducing and finally eliminating the pains and aches of lumbago, neuralgia, muscle strain, joint stiffness, sprains, bruises, and the results of exposure. You just know from its stimulating, healthy odor that it will do you good! Sloan's Liniment is sold by all druggists—35c, 70c, \$1.40.

Sloan's Liniment
Pain's enemy

TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

DISTRICT ATTORNEY VALLS WILL DELIVER ADDRESSES

IN BOTH SPANISH AND ENGLISH AT NEFF INAUGURAL.

Eloquent Speaker of Laredo District Selected by Governor Neff to Address Mexican Delegates.

Several days ago District Attorney John A. Valls of the 49th Judicial District received an invitation from Governor-elect Pat M. Neff asking him to make the addresses in English and Spanish on behalf of the state of Texas to the personal representatives of President Obregon and the governors of the border states of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and Chihuahua when they visited Austin on the occasion of the inauguration of Governor Neff next Tuesday. District Attorney Valls was notified that he would be wanted to make the addresses in the house of representatives on that date.

Mr. Valls has notified Governor-elect Neff of his acceptance of the invitation and will go to Austin to make the addresses, the first in Spanish and the second in English, both to the visiting Mexican delegations. In the selection of District Attorney Valls for this task Governor-elect Neff has selected an orator of ability and a man well qualified to handle his subject as ably in one tongue as the other, for Mr. Valls is a scholar and a gentleman who enjoys the distinction of being one of the most able and eloquent speakers in the state of Texas, and being also a man well versed in the Mexican situation, he will make an address that will deeply impress his listeners from the southern republic.

Former Army Officers' Return.

Mr. Bruce Cleveland and Mr. Joe Wood, formerly stationed here in the service of Uncle Sam arrived in Laredo yesterday and are stopping at the St. Anthony Hotel. Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Wood are now representatives of the Bull Dog Auto Insurance Association of Chicago. Mr. Cleveland as state agent and Mr. Wood as district agent in charge of the Austin district. It is the intention of the Bull Dog association to establish a live wide awake agency in Laredo to meet the increasing demand for good substantial auto insurance at a reasonable rate. It is estimated that the Bull Dog association, due to its remarkable low premium and many benefits that its policy offers is at present writing 50 per cent of the auto insurance in Texas.

Office of Deputy Collector of Customs, port of Laredo, Texas, Jan. 13, 1921. Notice is hereby given that I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on January 21, 1921, at 10 A. M. at the Customhouse, one horse and buggy, seized for violation of Section 3082, Revised Statutes. A. R. Kahn, Deputy Collector of Customs.

BASKETBALL GAME FRIDAY PROMISES A WARM CONTEST

Laredo High School and 17th Infantry Basketball Teams Meet on High School Court Tomorrow.

What promises to be the most interesting and closely contested game of basket ball played in Laredo in several years past will take place on the High School court tomorrow afternoon beginning at 3 o'clock, when the Laredo High School and the 17th Infantry teams will meet.

Both teams are pronounced in the best trim possible for the game and both have put in hard practice work in preparation for this game. Coach Wharton has trained the Laredo High team down to the finest points and predicts that he has a winning bunch, while the 17th Infantry team are just as confident of victory as the local team. The price of admission will be 25 cents.

A DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

JANUARY 13.

1808—Salmon P. Chase, chief justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, born at Cornish, N. H. Died in New York City, May 8, 1872.

1849—Plymouth church, Brooklyn, destroyed by fire.

1871—The French made vigorous but unsuccessful sorties from Paris.

1875—Mr. Gladstone retired from the leadership of the Liberal party.

1896—The Red Cross Society was excluded from Turkey, by decree of the Sultan.

1908—Nearly 200 persons perished in a theater fire at Boyertown, Pa.

1918—The Southern States suffered from the worst blizzard in their history.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY.

JANUARY 13.

President Wilson called the first meeting of the Council of the League of Nations for Jan. 1, at Paris.

LOCAL NEWS

—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo yesterday afternoon. One carload of beer, two carloads of ore, two carloads of ixite and some minor imports brought by truck over the international footbridge.

—How is that water heater? If it needs attention call Miller, the plumber. Phone 506. 1-11-6t.

—In a few days The Times hopes to be able to announce the complete program for the big three days celebration of Washington's Birthday Anniversary in Laredo February 21, 22 and 23. The program this year promises to be one of the most elaborate ever attempted here—and that is saying a mouthful.

—Public stenographer. Hamilton Hotel. Ask for Mrs. Bragg. 12-14-tf.

—With the big trench-digging machine digging away on Matamoros street and the street working machine scarifying and leveling Houston street there are some scenes of great activity in that portion of the city just now, as the two outfits are only about two blocks apart.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-tf.

—THE MCGEE TOMATO makes 1200 bushels per acre and I only have the pure pedigree seed. Please write for full information. M. C. McGee, San Marcos, Texas. 11-23-2m.

—There was free distribution of milk at the corner of Hidalgo and Flores this morning about 7:45 as the result of an impact between a milk truck and a private car. The milk truck had both rear wheels torn off of it and an amount of lactical fluid lost, but the car was not badly damaged. Accurate details of the collision were not secured.

—If you need a plumber in a hurry. Phone 1203 Juarez Plumbing. 3-29-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—When you write to your friends in various portions of the country remind them that Laredo is going to have a big celebration of Washington's Birthday Anniversary on February 21, 22 and 23. By this means you can help boost the celebration for Laredo.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidei Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—This is the 13th and this morning the hoodo was working so strongly that two disciples of Blackstone had a very unfriendly set-to on the streets, but it resulted in a tie decision. They failed to make good for being booked as an attraction by the American Legion Athletic Club for their next card.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-2-tf.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 13.

Duke of Aosta, first cousin of King Victor Emmanuel and one of the prominent Italian commanders in the late war, born at Genoa, 52 years ago today.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, the new Governor-General of the Union of South Africa, born 38 years ago today.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, celebrated English statesman and scholar, born 72 years ago today.

William Henry Crocker, San Francisco banker and political leader, born at Sacramento, Calif., 60 years ago today.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

JANUARY 13.

William G. Lee, who is said to be favored by the great railroad brotherhoods for the position of Secretary of Labor in the next cabinet, has been president of the Order of Railway Conductors for more than ten years. He is an Illinoisan, who began his working career as a brakeman on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, and until 1884 continued in that role. For the next four years he was a county official in Kansas. Then he resumed railroading as a conductor on the Union Pacific, and soon became conspicuous as an organizer of the men. From 1895 to 1909 he was vice-president of the order of which, since 1909, he has been president.

Mr. Lee is of a positive aggressive type, possesses unusual executive capacity, and by his record in negotiations with railway managers, has built up a remarkable degree of loyalty in the rank and file of his organization.

TIMES WANT ADS.

Money Makers

MINIMUM WAGES.

A bill has been introduced by Senator Archer Parr to repeal the minimum wage law. Adoption of this measure would also eliminate the industrial welfare commission, concerning which there has been so much argument.

The minimum wage law is based on a desire to do justice to a class of workers who have been without champions for so long that it was realized there was a necessity for the state taking up their cause—the women and girl employees of the various classes of establishments where women and girls are employed because they are cheaper than men.

In some of the occupations covered by the minimum wage law the employees are not necessarily skilled—that is, beyond a certain amount of native ability and some slight experience.

Laundry workers, shop girls, telephone operators, all the female workers who can be trained in a short time without much schooling, for their occupations require little book-learning, are the ones who have been poorly paid.

The average salesgirl needs a slight knowledge of arithmetic, with little further education save that which she gains from experience in the work. And as a rule, the salesgirl remains in that occupation until she marries, only occasionally one being found who is capable of advancing to a higher position.

The same with many other occupations; there are so many available who can be readily trained to the slight degree of skill that is required, that there is no incentive on the part of the employer to pay increased wages.

Occasionally an employer is found who is willing to recognize the fact that the cost of living has risen, and even his poorly paid employees, and he voluntarily raises their wages to a point more commensurate with their daily needs.

Investigations by trained observers have brought out the startling fact that immorality is based upon low wages. That the young women who recruit the ranks of the hostess-hood are forced into these ways of living because of the inadequacy of their wages to meet their necessities of food, clothing and lodging.

It was with this in mind that the Texas industrial welfare commission made their recommendation for a minimum wage scale that should provide the women workers with sufficient for their daily needs.

Most of the employees throughout the state have recognized the justice of paying adequate wages, with some complain that they cannot afford to pay such wages to girls who are incapable of earning them.

The result will be that many capabilities will be wasted, and the women and girls who are capable of performing the tasks assigned to them will be the only ones employed.

This naturally brings up the question as to what wages should be paid those who perform unskilled labor, and what shall be done with the girls and women who cannot justify the wage scale set by the welfare commission.

While wages of some of these employees seem inadequate, they are better than nothing at all, and many of them will not be able to obtain other work.

Domestic service is perhaps the best paid of any work in this section at present, for when one takes into account the food and lodging furnished servants, with the high wages they are demanding, it can be seen that they are earning more than the minimum wage scale set for other employees.

It is a difficult problem to solve, and perhaps Mr. Parr feels that the present minimum wage law does not solve it but makes it more difficult of solution. It is hoped that the legislature will find some means of solving it satisfactorily.

"PLAYING IT UP."

The endeavor to make a sensation of the most ordinary happening is what distinguishes what used to be called the "yellow press" from the conservative, reliable newspaper.

A recent example is the attempt to "play up" the disastrous trip of the naval balloon that landed in the Canadian wilds and the return of the three navy officers to civilization.

Thousands of words daily sent over the wires, flaring headlines in the papers—some of them—called attention to the "wonderful" news item, and more than a dozen expert "sob" writers were sent to the end of the railway in Ontario to meet the returning "heroes."

And when they get back to New York City one of them says: "We don't wish to be regarded as heroes. The story . . . has been greatly overplayed. After all, there is nothing unusual in men walking 225 miles through snow."

Just like that! Three men who landed in a strange country but poorly clothed to face bitter winter weather were able to reach a trading post where there was food, fire and sleeping quarters. They were fitted out with clothing, furnished guides and sleds, and they made the trip in a little over six days, walking part of the way and being hauled by dog teams part of each day's trip.

Every insignificant trifle bearing upon the matter was magnified into columns of "stuff"—good word that—and there were also columns of other stuff that was not so true or was exaggerated. One was reminded of the remark of an old-timer concerning his beautiful friend: "A good many things happen to her that don't so."

Yet the world was asked to thrill at the story of the "heroes" and their fight for life, while every day of the winter there are fiercer struggles in the heart of any big city by men who have more at stake than had the navy officers in their recent journey.

The really thrilling part of the story had little stress laid upon it. The four days of wandering through the woods after landing their balloon, their aviation suits discarded because they were too heavy to walk in, their only food two carrier pigeons, their only water the melted snow, their only defense against cruel and relentless Nature in the North woods a box of matches which one of them carried—that is all there was to the story.

The trip from the trading post to Mattice was no worse than some of our mail carriers make every week of the winter, and every year. And yet the "sob" writers of the sensational press tried to hold the nation breathless while awaiting the arrival of the men, who were not even seriously frost-bitten, and who had adequate means of conveyance to the rail end.

It is evident that the publishers of that sort of newspapers have the idea that all their readers are "movie-mad." Only a child or an ignorant person could find anything thrilling in the story of these men who, despite their training, were of the commonest species, and who were being carefully herded back to the comforts of home.

The story sounds like a Bill Hart or a Rex Beach hair-raising tale of the wilds. And although these men were out of touch with a mail-carrier, or even a telegraph wire, they had couriers to carry their messages, as was shown by the fact the world knew of their sad plight before they ever left the warm fire at the trading post to take up the "mush" to Mattice.

There are Boy Scouts in some of the Northern States—certainly in Canada, northern New York and Maine—who take more dangerous trips every winter with the full knowledge and consent of their parents. And the lonely trapper who makes his lonely life possible because of such exposure every year. It is laughable.

WATER ANALYSIS.

For the information of the public, we propose to publish copy of periodic water analysis of water supply. January report is as follows:

Report of Examination of Water Supply for Laredo Water Co., Made January 11th, 1921—Laboratory No. 34865.

Mineral Substances.	
Parts per million	
Silica	28.2
Iron	0.3
Alumina	1.3
Calcium	137.1
Magnesium	36.0
Sodium	136.6
Diphosphates	203.8
Carbonates	0.0
Chlorides	225.0
Sulphates	279.9
Nitrates	1.8
Nitrites	none
Total Solids	596.0
Suspended Matter	none
Mineral Salts.	
Iron Bicarbonates	00.0
Calcium Bicarbonate	270.8
Magnesium Bicarbonate	0.0
Sodium Bicarbonate	0.0
Calcium Sulphate	238.0
Magnesium Sulphate	152.9
Sodium Sulphate	0.0
Calcium Chloride	0.0
Magnesium Chloride	20.0
Sodium Chloride	346.7
Uncombined fixed	29.8
Hardness.	
Due to lime salts	342.8
Due to Magnesia salts	147.6
Due to iron salts	none
Total hardness	490.4
Temporary hardness	167.0
Permanent hardness	323.4
Bacterial Examination.	
Total number of bacteria per cubic centimeter	154
Colon bacteria in one cubic centimeter of water	0
Remarks.	
This water complies with the requirements of the State Board of Health for colon bacteria.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Kansas City Testing Laboratory.	
By ROY CROSS.	
Note:—All water bacteria are not harmful.	
Colon bacteria, which cause typhoid fever, were not present.	
Yours very truly,	
Laredo Water Company,	
F. A. MATTHEES,	
Manager.	
To Organize Hose-Racing Team.	
A number of the young men of the Laredo High School have perfected arrangements for the organization of a hose racing team to represent the Laredo Volunteer Fire Department in the event that hose races are included in the program of events here during the celebration next month and outside teams are invited to come to Laredo. The new team will get down to practice at once.	

VANGUARD OF THE MEXICAN DELEGATION ARRIVES HERE

COAHUILA AND CHIHUAHUA DELEGATION ARE IN LAREDO.

Representatives of President Obregon, Governors of Tamaulipas and Nuevo Leon, Etc., Arrive Sunday.

The vanguard of the Mexican delegation from Mexico to attend the inauguration of Governor-elect Neff at Austin on Tuesday next arrived in Laredo this morning and are registered at the Bender Hotel, where they will remain until tomorrow night at 10 o'clock when, accompanied by other members of the delegation who will reach here tomorrow morning and the delegation of the Laredo Chamber of Commerce, they will depart for San Antonio to spend Monday and then leave San Antonio Monday night at 9:30 o'clock for Austin, arriving at the state capital Tuesday morning. From the time that the Mexican delegation leave Laredo until their return here they will be in charge of the Laredo Chamber of Commerce delegation.

The Mexican delegation arriving here this morning were: Ing. Carlos R. Matthees, personal representative of Governor Luis G. Garza of Coahuila; Jesus Garza Caballo, secretary of state of Coahuila; and Severiano Garcia, district attorney of Coahuila; Diputados Carlos Morales Sanchez and Felix Niera Barragan, representing the state legislature of the state of Coahuila; Lic. Herminda Siller, Lic. Felix Flores and Jacobo Valdez, representing state judiciary of Coahuila; Aldermen Ruben Moreno Cabos and Melchor Lobo Arispe, representing the municipality of Saltillo, Coahuila; Carlos A. Dainbach, secretary, and Ismael Ramos and Samuel J. Castro, representing the Saltillo Chamber of Commerce; Vicente Rosales y Rosales, representing the press of Coahuila; Federico Souler, personal representative of Governor Ignacio C. Enriquez of the state of Chihuahua. The personal representatives of President Obregon and the governors of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon and other states will reach Laredo on tomorrow morning.

Arriving at San Antonio Monday morning the Mexican delegation will be guests of the Chamber of Commerce, at breakfast at the Gunter Hotel and then will be taken charge of by the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce and entertained until 3 p. m., when they leave for Austin on a special train. At Austin the Mexican delegations and the Chamber of Commerce delegations will be met by representatives of Governor Hobbs, Governor-elect Neff and the house of representatives and senate and escorted to the Driskill Hotel, which has been selected as headquarters in Austin.

A wire received this morning from Austin announced that Adjutant General W. D. Cope, Assistant Adjutant General C. M. Crawford and Colonel J. H. Zachry, representing the National Guard of Texas, would reach Laredo tomorrow morning to join the delegations here and accompany them to Austin. At San Antonio it is probable that the inaugural delegation will be augmented by a number of representative officials and business men of that city.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS NAMED FOR BIG CELEBRATION

WILL MEET MONDAY NIGHT TO SELECT SUB-COMMITTEES.

Executive Committee is Open to Suggestions and Will Appreciate Assistance From Laredo Citizens.

The Red Men in charge of the arrangements for the big Washington Birthday Anniversary Celebration to be held in Laredo on February 21, 22 and 23, this morning announced the selection of the following gentlemen to comprise the executive committee of the organization. Joseph Netzer, chairman; Leopoldo Villegas, S. N. Johnson, A. M. Bruni, I. Alexander, A. Winslow, J. A. Rodriguez, Sam Macklin, B. M. Alexander, (treasurer); R. L. Bobbitt, Colonel Cochran, Captain Gwynn, F. A. Matthes and C. E. Leonard.

This committee will hold a meeting on next Monday evening at the Red Men's Hall and select the various features of the celebration and these committees will be made public on Tuesday. Each committee will be headed by a chairman who will do active work in promoting to successful termination that particular feature entrusted to his committee and held responsible to the executive committee only. The executive committee is open to suggestions from any and all citizens and ask for the co-operation and assistance of all citizens in helping to make the celebration this year the grandest and most elaborate ever held in Laredo.

The selecting committee is composed of Joseph Netzer, Leopoldo Villegas, J. A. Rodriguez and Julio R. Garcia, and so far subscriptions to the amount of about \$1,000 have been paid to the celebration committee. The citizens of Nuevo Laredo have also subscribed liberally to the celebration fund. As soon as the various subcommittees are named and begin their work a definite program of events to cover the three days of the celebration will be arranged and announced, and the purpose is to have something doing every hour of the time from the beginning of the celebration on the morning of February 21 until the very end of the event at midnight on February 23.

Music at Christ Church.

Following is the musical program for the services at Christ Church tomorrow, under the direction of Flora Bilgardo, Anderson, organist-director: MORNING SERVICE.

Processional Hymn, "Lo, the Voice of Jesus." Anglican. Te Deum. Benedictus. Offertory Solo, "He That Dwelleth." Miss Courtney Slaughter. Recessional Hymn, "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart."

EVENING PRAYER.

Magnificat. Nunc Dimittis. Hymn before Sermon, "On Thou from Whom All Goodness Flows." Offertory Solo, "Light at Evening Time." Mr. E. B. Adams. Recessional.

IS AWARDED THE CONTRACT FOR SUPPLYING UNIFORMS

City Awards I. Alexander Contract for 24 Blue Serge Uniforms for City Cops at \$42.50 per Uniform.

Yesterday afternoon the bids were opened for supplying the police force of Laredo with new uniforms and equipment for the spring and summer of 1921 and the bid was awarded to I. Alexander.

Mr. Alexander contracted to furnish twenty-four uniforms including trousers, vest, coat, caps and cap ornaments for the sum of \$42.50 each. The material to be used in the outfits is to be of blue serge of not less than 16 ounces weight.

CHAUTAUQUA ATTRACTION TO OPEN HERE FEBRUARY 26

Rotarians Will Be in Charge of Big Chautauqua for Laredo to be Furnished By the Radcliffe System.

The committee appointed by the Laredo Rotary Club some weeks ago to close the contract for a chautauqua for Laredo to be held under the auspices of the Rotarians met yesterday at the Laredo Chamber of Commerce quarters and perfected organization and now have an aggregation of workers who will do their utmost to make this attraction a great success.

The chautauqua which will consist of six acts of high-class feature attractions will be furnished by the Radcliffe Chautauqua System a well known chautauqua organization which covers circuits extending to all portions of the country. The first program of attractions for Laredo under the contract with the Rotary Club will be held in this city on February 26 in a large tent which is to be erected in the vicinity of the Urbahn School. A committee of Rotarians will soon be out selling books for the entire series of entertainments at \$2 each or single tickets at 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for children.

The Soldiers Club.

At a meeting last night of the Community Service, representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club and officers of Fort McIntosh, it was decided to formulate plans for financing the Soldiers Club for the year of 1921. Details will be published later.

LOCAL NEWS

The Christian Healing Mission at Christ Church will be continued to night and tomorrow. The morning service will be at 10 o'clock and the evening service at 7:30 o'clock will close the mission, as Mr. Blundford will leave immediately thereafter for San Antonio.

The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo yesterday afternoon: One carload of beer, two carloads of ixtle, one carload of bones and one carload of lead. In addition to these there were some importations brought by truck across the international foot-bridge.

The delegation of Mexican officials and Laredo Chamber of Commerce representatives to the inauguration of Governor Pat M. Neff on next Tuesday at Austin will leave Laredo tomorrow night at 10 o'clock. Quite a number of Laredo business men will accompany the Mexican officials to Austin.

After the inauguration of Governor Neff the next attraction on the program is the big Washington Birthday Anniversary Celebration in Laredo, then the Chautauqua and then the 17th of March. Verily, this is the busy season of the year in old Laredo.

The big trench-digging machine out its path across Flores Avenue along Matamoros street on its westward journey this morning. While this big caterpillar outfit is not extending the speed limit, nevertheless it is doing a great piece of work in making the excavations for the sewerage system.

The committee having charge of the arrangements for the Washington Birthday Anniversary Celebration are working like Trojans these days getting everything in shape, including the financing of the proposition, and in a few days more will get to work on mapping out the detailed program of events for the big three-day celebration.

FORMS A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH A WELL KNOWN JURIST

Walter F. Woodul, Formerly of This City is Now Associated With Judge William H. Wilson in Houston.

Announcement has been received in Laredo of the formation of the new law firm of Wilson & Woodul in Houston, Texas, the members of this firm being Judge William H. Wilson and Walter F. Woodul.

Judge Wilson was for a number of years a district judge in Houston and also senior member of the well known law firm of Wilson, Dabney & Klug, general attorneys of the I. & G. N. Ry. Co. and several other large corporations of Texas. He also served as the only member of the Republican National Campaign Advisory Committee from Texas. Walter Woodul, a young man, is well known here and has thousands of friends who commiserate him on his connections with Judge Wilson and wish the firm all kinds of success and prosperity.

A Serious Error.

A San Antonio paper recently stated that Deputy Sheriff Diaz had brought back to San Antonio three men, arrested in Laredo for theft of an automobile, and gave as one of the names Eduardo Villareal. It should be stated in the interest of justice that Eduardo Villareal was the detective who arrested the two alleged thieves, and that he was not implicated in the case, except as an efficient agent of justice in capturing the alleged criminals and restoring the auto to its San Antonio owner.

USE PALMETTO ROOT.

By Associated Press.

Tampa, Fla., Jan. 15.—Utilization of the fibrous palmetto root, which for many years has been not only a waste product of the soil but an actual hindrance to the agricultural development of Florida, has been brought about by the use of the material in the making of brushes. Machinery has been perfected to extract the palmetto fibre from the roots and its use promises an important industry for Florida.

OUR DAILY BIRTHDAY PARTY.

JANUARY 15.

George M. Reynolds, Chicago banker, who is mentioned for Secretary of the Treasury in the next cabinet, born at Panama, Iowa, 56 years ago today.

Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, president of Brown University, born at Worcester, Mass., 62 years ago today.

Bruce McRae, well known actor, born in India, of English parentage, 54 years ago today.

Gen. Robert L. Bullard, who was one of the chief commanders of the American forces in France, born in Alabama, 60 years ago today.

Virgil G. Hinshaw, for many years chairman of the Prohibition Party National Committee, born at Woolson, Iowa, 45 years ago today.

SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

Mrs. R. S. Alexander, Misses Raquel and Berta Gongora and Sara Vidaurri, will entertain at the home of the latter with a linen shower at 3 o'clock in the afternoon honoring Miss Eudelia Rodriguez.

Cotillon Dancing Class at the Woman's Club at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

Dance at the Soldiers Club in the evening.

Sunday.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the "Presbyterian Church meets at 6:45 at the church Sunday evening.

The Junior B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church will meet at the church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Senior B. Y. P. U. will meet at the Baptist Church at 7 o'clock in the evening.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will hold its regular meeting in the League room of the Methodist Church at 6:30 o'clock in the evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Christian Church will meet in the church at 6:45 p. m.

Monday.

There will be a meeting at the Woman's Club at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.